



**North American Dog Agility Council  
DOG AGILITY TRIAL**

Benton County Fairgrounds, Corvallis, Oregon  
INDOOR ARENA ON PACKED AND GRADED RIVER LOAM

**October 18-19, 2014**



**HOSTED BY  
Willamette Agility Group**

**JUDGES**

Traci Bruchok – Salem, OR  
Patti Cavin – Puyallup, WA  
*Supervising Judge: Arlene Courtney*

**CLASSES OFFERED**

SAT: 2 runs Regular; 1 run each Chances, Jumpers, Weavers, Touch N Go  
SUN: 2 runs Regular; 1 run each Chances, Jumpers, Weavers, Tunnelers

**INTRO LEVEL OFFERED FOR ALL CLASSES!**

**Categories:** Proficient and Skilled  
**Divisions:** Standard, Veterans and Jr Handler

Limited to 350 runs with jumps per day per judge;  
500 runs total per day per judge

Entries must be postmarked no earlier than **September 8, 2014**,  
and no later than **October 11, 2014**, or when the trial fills,  
whichever occurs first.

Move-ups, corrections & changes to entries will be accepted until  
October 14, 2014, at 6:00 PM PDT. Corrections & changes will not be made  
at the trial; no exceptions.

Move-ups from Saturday to Sunday for duplicated classes will be taken until  
the end of the last class on Saturday. Same-day move-ups will not be  
accepted. No exceptions.

Additional copies of this premium can be found at: [www.wagagility.org](http://www.wagagility.org)

**TRIAL COMMITTEE**

Trial Chair	Deanna Lyons (kashka1@comcast.net)
Trial Secretary	Cheryl Henning
Chief Course Builders	Kaye Berggren and Don Lyons
Chief Scorekeepers	Kathy Howe and Lynda King
Chief Ring Stewards	Paula Rich and Dave Vesely
Hospitality	Karla Kinney
Raffle	Anne Minnich
Awards	Traci Bruchok and Lynda King

**Mail entries to:** WAG c/o Cheryl Henning  
860 Ree Del Ct. NE • Salem, OR 97301

**Email entry questions, changes & move-ups to Cheryl Henning at:**  
[cherylhenning@juno.com](mailto:cherylhenning@juno.com)

**Make checks payable to Willamette Agility Group (WAG)**

**THERE IS NO CHECK-IN.** Verifying your dog's NADAC registration number is your responsibility. Please make sure your dog's number is correct.

**First dog on the line will be at 8:00 AM each day.**

**MEASUREMENT:** Dogs under 18", entered in Proficient, and without a permanent height card must be measured before they run. The Trial Secretary will contact you and arrange for measurement if your dog falls into this category. Dogs entered in Skilled do not have to be measured. Permanent height card measurements will be available during the weekend. Please see the NADAC Exhibitor's Handbook for the jump height table: <http://www.nadac.com/rules.htm>

**NOTES:** In the Skilled category, your dog's Standard jump height is 4" lower than its Proficient Standard jump height.

*Effective January 1, 2014:* Dogs age 9 and older must be entered in the Veteran Division (ie, either Proficient-Veteran or Skilled-Veteran).  
Dogs age 12 and older must be entered in the Skilled category, Veteran Division (ie, Skilled-Veteran).

**ENTRY RULES:** We will accept entries postmarked on September 8, 2014, or later, until either the maximum number of runs per day is reached or the closing postmark date of October 11, 2014, whichever comes first. Spaces in this trial will be allotted in postmark order, not in the order of receipt by the Trial Secretary. If more entries with the opening date postmark are received than the total number of slots available, priority entry will be given to a limited number of exhibitors who volunteer to help at the trial. The remaining slots will be drawn from randomly selected entries. If the trial fills on a subsequent date, the drawing will be made from all entries. Any entry that is not accompanied by payment in full will be considered invalid. We have the right to refuse any entry. Anyone who is not currently in good standing with NADAC will not be allowed entry into the trial.

**EQUIPMENT:** Rubber matted contact equipment will be used in both rings. The 24" safety/displaceable tire and 24" weaves will also be used.

**AWARDS:** Purple rosettes will be awarded for all qualifying runs. Ribbons will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> place in each jump height in Novice classes. Ribbons will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> through 4<sup>th</sup> place for each jump height and class for all other levels. Chances is pass/fail class and thus no placement ribbons will be awarded.

## DIRECTIONS TO TRIAL SITE

### **Benton County Fairgrounds • 110 SW 53rd Street, Corvallis, Oregon**

*Coordinates: 44.5671688, -123.3139881 • N44° 34.0301', W123° 18.8393'*

Take 1-5 to Exit 228 (Hwy 34 to Corvallis). As you enter Corvallis, Hwy. 34 becomes Harrison Blvd. Remain on Harrison through Corvallis to 53<sup>rd</sup> Street. Turn south (left) onto 53<sup>rd</sup> Street (Walnut Blvd. becomes 53<sup>rd</sup> at the light). Benton County Fairgrounds is approximately ¼ of a mile on the right.

*Alternate route:* As you approach Corvallis on Highway 34, do not cross the bridge into town, but turn LEFT at the light before the bridge; this takes you to the downtown bypass. Continue (west) to the light at 53<sup>rd</sup> St. (Bi-Mart will be on your left). Turn right (north) on to 53<sup>rd</sup> Street. The Fairgrounds is approximately ½ mile on the left.

## **RAFFLE**

**Check out the raffle for wonderful items!  
If you have an item to donate, contact  
Anne Minnich at [annellama@yahoo.com](mailto:annellama@yahoo.com)**

**FOOD:** There will be a food vendor on site for breakfast, lunch and snacks. Light hospitality will be provided for workers.

**HELP FOR NEW EXHIBITORS:** WAG members will be available at this trial as helpers for exhibitors who are new to agility trials and would like to have someone to ask questions, ask for help on where to crate, what's happening, how do I find my score and what does it mean, etc. Look for the WAG members with special nametags. New exhibitors will also receive information from the Trial Secretary about how to prepare for their first agility trial.

**DONATION:** A percentage of the trial proceeds will be donated to a charity of the Trial Committee's choice.

**VENDORS:** If you would like to be a vendor at this trial, please contact Deanna Lyons ([kashka1@comcast.net](mailto:kashka1@comcast.net)) by Tuesday, October 14, 2014. The "fee" for vendor space is a \$25 donation in goods/services to the raffle or a payment of \$25, payable to WAG. Vendor space is limited and must be reserved in advance; priority for vendor space is given to those who are participating in the trial. For the safety and enjoyment of everyone at the trial, all vendors are asked to use a modest amount of space for their displays and to cooperate with WAG in the location of their space at the trial facility.

**PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG**

## MOTELS ACCEPTING WELL-BEHAVED PETS

<b>CORVALLIS</b>		
Days Inn	1113 NW 9th St.	541-754-7474 or 1-800-432-1233
Holiday Inn Express	781 NW 2nd St.	541-752-0800 or 1-800-HOLIDAY
Motel 6	937 NW Garfield	541-758-9125
Rodeway Inn	345 NW 2nd St.	541-752-9601
Super 8	407 NW 2nd St.	541-758-8088 or 1-800-800-8000
Towne House	350 SW 4th St.	541-753-4496 or 1-800-898-4496
<b>ALBANY</b>		
La Quinta Inn	251 Airport Rd. SE	541-928-0921
Best Western	1100 Price Rd. SE	541-928-5050
Super 8	315 Airport Rd. SE	541-928-6322
<b>PHILOMATH</b>		
Galaxie Motel	104 S. 20th St.	541-929-4334
<b>MONMOUTH</b>		
Courtesy Inn	270 N. Pacific Ave.	503-838-4438

*Each motel has its own prices and rules for dogs, and they vary widely between motels. Some motels have exceptions to their usual rules for 'show dogs'.*

## ON-SITE RV CAMPING

There are 2 types of on-site RV camping available at Benton County Fairgrounds (BCF) for the WAG trial. *Tent camping is not available on the dates of this trial.*

- **WAG spaces at \$27 per night:** This is a special WAG rate. Electrical & water hook-ups only; access to restrooms and showers. These spaces are at the front and side of the Fairgrounds near the arena where the trial is being held. This rate also applies to overnight camping or sleeping in any vehicle (car, truck, van).
- **BCF full-service spaces:** Electrical, water, cable, sewer, and other goodies; access to restrooms and showers. These "deluxe" spaces are somewhat farther away on concrete slabs with grass surrounds. Check the RV park's website for rate and reservation information: [www.bentoncountyfair.net/oaks](http://www.bentoncountyfair.net/oaks)

The Fairgrounds has wi-fi Internet accessible with a code; the code will be given out with payment.

**To reserve a WAG space at \$27 per night:** Mark the appropriate line on your trial entry form and send the additional \$27 per night to WAG with your entry fees. You will receive a camping tag by email, which must be displayed in your camping rig. You are not allowed to park in the deluxe spots for this price. Available on a first-come, first-served basis; there are 25-30 of these spaces.

**THE MANAGEMENT** will not be responsible for the loss or damage to any dog exhibited, or for the possessions of any exhibitor, whether the result was by accident or any other cause. It is distinctly understood that every dog at this event is in the care and custody and control of his owner or handler during the entire time the dog is on the show premises. Any exhibitor whose dogs and/or children create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the organizing committee, be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of fees paid will be made.

### **NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS**

This trial is sanctioned by the North American Dog Agility Council (NADAC). Please refer to [www.nadac.com](http://www.nadac.com) for a full explanation of all NADAC rules and up to date information. **Exhibitors, through submission of their entry, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of NADAC rules and regulations and relevant WAG policies, including but not limited to the following rules regarding entry, and agree to abide by all rules in effect at the time of this trial.** Please note that NADAC trials should provide a safe and fun environment for both exhibitors and their dogs. Aggressive dogs will not be tolerated and will be excused from the trial.

**Dogs must be registered** and have a valid registration number before entries will be accepted. Dogs can be registered online to immediately receive a permanent registration number: <http://nadac.com/afirm/dogregfrm.asp>

A copy of the current Exhibitor's Handbook may be downloaded for free from the NADAC website. [www.nadac.com](http://www.nadac.com) Or Exhibitors may request a hard copy of the current Exhibitor Handbook by sending \$5 to: North American Dog Agility Council, 24605 Dodds Road, Bend, OR 97701.

Exhibitors may contact NADAC at [info@nadac.com](mailto:info@nadac.com) with general questions or for information.

- All dogs must be on leash when not competing in the ring.
- No leads, collars, food, toys, or other aids or devices will be permitted on the course at any time except where NADAC rules permit treats or small toys to be concealed inside a container such as a Ziploc bag inside the handler's pocket so it is not visible to people or to the dog.
- Checks will be held until the closing date. There will be a \$20 service charge for returned checks. Payment in full of entry fees and service charges shall be made by money order or cash before the first date of competition listed in this premium.
- 100% of entry fees will be refunded if requested before or on the closing date. After the closing date, injured or ill handlers or injured, ill or in-heat dogs will receive a refund, less a \$20 per dog handling fee. Verification from a doctor or vet may be requested.
- There will be no refunds in the event that a dog and/or handler is dismissed from competition, regardless of the reason for dismissal.
- There will be no refunds for withdrawals requested on or after the first competition date listed in this premium, regardless of the reason
- No entry fee will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, acts of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee.
- Exhibitors are advised that other public and private events may occur within the fairgrounds complex on the same dates as this trial. To ensure the continued availability of this site, exhibitors must conduct themselves in a responsible and respectful manner.
- Running order will be determined at the club's discretion. An attempt will be made to separate runs for handlers with more than one dog in a class.
- The Fairgrounds is subject to Benton County's tobacco-free policy. This policy does not allow the use of tobacco products and electronic cigarettes on property owned or occupied by Benton County, including doorways, front porches or outdoor foyers, parking lots, parks, natural areas and the Fairgrounds.

*Non-Jumping Classes – Veteran or Disabled Handler:* Handlers who are 60 years or older, or who have a disability that restricts mobility, may choose to enter the non-jumping classes as a Veteran Handler and receive 10% more standard course time. This option is for Veteran/ Disabled handlers in the non-jumping classes only. The Veteran/Disabled Handler division is designed for handlers who, due to age or impairment, are mobility limited and need extra time to guide their canine partners through an agility course. When entering as a Veteran/Disabled Handler, you must enter all dogs in all classes for the entire trial in this Division and must jump 4" lower than your Proficient, Standard Division jump height requires. In the non-jumping classes,

dogs will be scored and placed with their Standard Division jump height.

**IMPORTANT:** Please check your dog's NADAC registration number on your trial confirmation as soon as you receive it; also, please check the copy of the results posted at the trial. You should report any errors to the Trial Secretary immediately.

NADAC records trial results as they are submitted by the host clubs/groups. The individual trial results submitted by the club are uploaded to the [www.NADACForum.com](http://www.NADACForum.com) within two weeks after the NADAC office receives them from the club. Please accept the responsibility to review those results, and check that your registration number and qualifying points, as reported by the club, are correct. You can join the Forum by going to [www.NADACForum.com](http://www.NADACForum.com) and submitting your request. If you find an error in the reporting of your dog's qualifying points or registration number, please contact the host club. The host club is responsible for correcting any errors and informing NADAC.

**LEVELS:** Points earned at a higher level of a class, prior to the completion of the lower level title, will not be recorded by NADAC for future use. If a dog earns points in a level of a class that they are not eligible to title in, those points will not be added to the dog's records.

**SKILLED AND PROFICIENT CATEGORIES:** Dogs must be entered in either the **Skilled** or the **Proficient category**. A dog may not be entered in Skilled one day and Proficient on another day. Dogs may enter the Skilled or Proficient category in the Standard, Veteran, or Junior Handler Division. If you enter the Skilled category, you must enter your dog one jump height (4") lower than your dog's Standard jump height. (Four inches will remain the minimum jump height.) Dogs are allotted the standard course time for, and are scored and placed, in the jump height entered.

### **AGREEMENT**

The person who signs this agreement represents that he/she is authorized to enter into this agreement on behalf of both exhibitor and the owner of entered dog. In consideration of acceptance of this entry:

- 1.1 As used here, NADAC means North American Dog Agility Council, its members, officers, employees, show chairs, show committees and agents.
- 1.2 Exhibitor/owner agrees to abide by the rules and regulations of NADAC and any other rules and regulations appearing in the premium for this event.
- 1.3 Exhibitor/owner certifies that the entered dog is not a hazard to persons, dogs or property and that the entered dog's rabies vaccination is current in accordance with the requirement of the state in which the dog resides.
- 1.4 Exhibitor/owner acknowledges all hazards presented by the event and the event premises, including but not limited to, the condition of the fields, floors, stairways, halls, lighting, security measures or lack of, electrical appliances, fitting, show rings, parking areas and the presence of unfamiliar animals and people; exhibitor and owner assume the risk of any harm arising from these.
- 1.5 Exhibitor/owner releases NADAC (including NADAC officers, employees and members), WAG (including its officers directors, members, and event organizing committee), and Benton County (including its officers, agents, and employees) and will defend them and hold them harmless from all present and future loss, injury, damage, claims, demands and liabilities involving the entered dog, the event or event premises. Without limiting the generality of the foregoing hold harmless provisions, exhibitor/owner hereby specifically assumes sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expenses (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the afore-mentioned parties for damages because of bodily injuries, including death, at any time in consequences of my (our) participation in this event, howsoever such injury or death may be caused and whether or not the same may have been caused or may have been alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents or any other persons.
- 1.6 I(We) acknowledge that by entering this class or event, I am or will be, a Limited Member of the Willamette Agility Group.

In consideration of the acceptance of the entry, I/we certify that I/we have knowledge of, and are familiar with, and agree to abide by the rules and regulations of NADAC and WAG in effect at the time of this trial, and by any additional rules and regulations as approved by NADAC and WAG for this trial. /We further agree by our signature on the official entry form of this premium to be bound by this "agreement".

## OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Willamette Agility Group • NADAC Sanctioned Trial  
 October 18-19, 2014 • Benton County Fairgrounds, Corvallis, Oregon  
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**Mail entries to: WAG c/o Cheryl Henning • 860 Ree Del Ct. NE • Salem, OR 97301**

OWNER	DOG
Name	Call name
Address	Registered name
City/State/Zip	NADAC No. <span style="float: right;">Height</span>
Phone	Date of Birth
Email	Breed <span style="float: right;">Sex</span>
Handler, if not owner	

**ARE YOU NEW?**    Mark here if this is your first NADAC trial    Mark here if this is your first-ever dog agility trial

**Indicate the category for entire trial and circle the height your dog will actually jump**

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>PROFICIENT</b>	Standard Division	8	12	16	20	20+
	Veteran or Jr Handler Division	4	8	12	16	16+
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>SKILLED</b>	Standard Division	4	8	12	16	
	Veteran or Jr Handler Division	4	4	8	12	

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Class	Division	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite	Day
Chances	<input type="checkbox"/> Standard <input type="checkbox"/> Jr Handler <input type="checkbox"/> Vet Dog or Handler	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sat <input type="checkbox"/> Sun
Regular Rd 1	<input type="checkbox"/> Standard <input type="checkbox"/> Jr Handler <input type="checkbox"/> Vet Dog or Handler	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sat <input type="checkbox"/> Sun
Regular Rd 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Standard <input type="checkbox"/> Jr Handler <input type="checkbox"/> Vet Dog or Handler	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sat <input type="checkbox"/> Sun
Jumpers	<input type="checkbox"/> Standard <input type="checkbox"/> Jr Handler <input type="checkbox"/> Vet Dog or Handler	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sat <input type="checkbox"/> Sun
Weavers	<input type="checkbox"/> Standard <input type="checkbox"/> Vet Handler	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sat <input type="checkbox"/> Sun
Touch N Go	<input type="checkbox"/> Standard <input type="checkbox"/> Vet Handler	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sat
Tunnelers	<input type="checkbox"/> Standard <input type="checkbox"/> Vet Handler	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/> Sun

Will you  
help?  
See page 5

PRICES & PAYMENT	
Handlers under 19: \$5 per run x _____ # of run/s (no package pricing)	= \$
Number of Runs Entered: \$10 per Run x _____ # of Run/s	= \$
<i>Sampler Package: Any 6 runs</i> (same dog) for \$55 May be combined with additional runs purchased at regular price	= \$
<i>Weekend Package: Any 12 runs</i> (same dog) for \$110	= \$
Subtract WAG 10% Member Discount (on individual runs and/or packages)	= \$
RV Camping Fee: \$27 per night x _____ # of night/s	= \$
<b>TOTAL ENCLOSED</b>	<b>= \$</b>

<b>Signatures/s</b> Entry is not valid without signatures	I/we have read, understood, and acknowledge the Agreement on page 3 of this premium.
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Owner/Exhibitor	Date	Phone & email for Parent or Guardian of Junior Handler	
Parent or Legal Guardian of Junior Handler	Date		

## VOLUNTEER FORM

We depend on the generosity of volunteers to make our trials run smoothly. **Workers will earn coupons to use with the food vendor or to buy raffle tickets.** Experience is not needed for any job; we will teach you. We do our best to avoid conflicts; however, if a conflict does happen, let the Chief Ring Steward know right away and s/he will help you find a different volunteer for your slot.

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Are you a WAG member? Yes / No  
 Email \_\_\_\_\_ Are you in the process of becoming a WAG member? Yes / No  
 Phone \_\_\_\_\_

SAT	SUN		Need training?
		Gate Steward - Guides people into the ring in the proper order, advises ring crew of height changes	
		Scribe - Records faults & points called by judge; checks scribe sheets against gate sheets for running order changes	
		Assistant Scribe - Reads course time to scribe (may be combined with Timer job)	
		Timer - Oversees automatic timer for each run (operates manual timer when automatic timer is not used)	
		Scribe Runner - Takes scribe sheets from scribe to score table	
		Leash Runner - Takes leashes from start line to finish line (must be 10 years or older)	
		Ring Crew - Resets jump bars, straightens chute fabric, etc.	
		Course Builder - Assists in setting the equipment for each class and level (directed by Chief Course Builder)	
		Whatever you need me to do!	
		<input type="checkbox"/> FRI afternoon equipment unloading & ring set-up	<input type="checkbox"/> SUN afternoon equipment tear-down & loading

**Please circle the jump height and level for the classes that your dog/s is entered in.**

Day	Class	Dog #1 (circle the height your dog will actually jump)				Dog #2 (circle the height your dog will actually jump)				
		4"	8"	12"	16"	20"	4"	8"	12"	16"
		Level (circle one per class)								
		Intro	Novice	Open	Elite	Class	Level (circle one per class)			
SAT	Chances	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite	Chances	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite
SAT	Regular Rd 1	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite	Regular Rd 1	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite
SAT	Regular Rd 2	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite	Regular Rd 2	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite
SAT	Jumpers	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite	Jumpers	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite
SAT	Weavers	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite	Weavers	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite
SAT	Touch N Go	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite	Touch N Go	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite
SUN	Chances	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite	Chances	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite
SUN	Regular Rd 1	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite	Regular Rd 1	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite
SUN	Regular Rd 2	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite	Regular Rd 2	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite
SUN	Jumpers	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite	Jumpers	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite
SUN	Weavers	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite	Weavers	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite
SUN	Tunnelers	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite	Tunnelers	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM WITH YOUR TRIAL ENTRY**

## NADAC Intro Level FAQs

Information in this document is excerpted from content posted in [www.nadacforum.com](http://www.nadacforum.com)

*From Sharon Nelson, NADAC President, on March 9, 2014:*

We are proud to announce the addition of "Intro" as a level to the NADAC program! "Intro" is a level for the classes, just like Novice, Open and Elite. So now there are four levels to each class: Intro, Novice, Open and Elite.

The Intro level will be a shorter course than Novice. The only Intro level class with weaves will be Intro Weavers and it will have one set of 6 poles. No other classes will have weaves in them. The Intro level will have no tunnel/contact discriminations. The Intro level is a full titling level with the basic titles at 30 points, Outstanding Performance at 60 points and Superior Performance at 100 points for Chances, Jumpers, Tunnelers, Weavers, Hoopers, Touch N Go, Extreme Chances, Extreme Gaters, Extreme Barrelers, and Extreme Hoopers. For Regular, the basic title is at 30 points, Outstanding Performance is at 100 points and Superior Performance is at 200 points.

Clubs can choose which classes they will accept Intro level entries into. So not every trial will have Intro level in all classes.

Dogs must be 18 months old and all other NADAC rules apply to entries.

Questions were posted by NADAC Forum users; answers were posted by Sharon Nelson.

Q - Is there Skilled and Proficient, Vet Handlers and Vet Dogs, and Junior Handlers?

A - Yes, exactly the same as any Novice entry.

Q - Are the yards per second going to be lower than for Novice courses?

A - No, they are the same as Novice, just a shorter course.

Q - There will obviously be qualifying scores. Will there also be placements?

A - That is up to each club. For instance, NADAC fundraisers do not have placements in any class but do have qualifiers.

Q. How long might a shorter course be?

A - For Regular and Jumpers, probably 8-10 obstacles; the other classes probably 5-8. It will certainly depend upon the individual original course design.

Q - All other rules apply, so are we correct in assuming that the dogs must be at the level of performing obstacles safely, working off leash, and that no treats or toys are allowed in the ring? And that the "one time per run" and handlers need to attempt the numbered course with maximum of standard course time etc. training in the ring rules still apply as in other levels?

A - Yes, you are correct in all of the above remarks!

Q - Can a dog that has titled in Novice/Open/Elite go back down into Intro level (thinking of semi-retired or restarting after time off)?

A - Yes, Intro is open to all dogs. An Elite dog could enter Intro instead of Elite if wanted.

Q - Since the course is different, there will be a separate walk thru?

A - Yes, the Intro people will walk their own course

Q - It does not sound like this is involving EGC agility?

A - Yes, Intro includes EGC classes.

Q - Will Intro be a prerequisite before moving up to Novice?

A - No it is not a prerequisite for Novice. Competitors can still start at Novice if desired.

Q - If you start out at the Intro level, do you need to get Intro titles before you can move to Novice?

A - No, there is no titling requirement for Intro.

Q - How will Chances change for Intro? Will it just be closer line?

A - Just like all of the classes, it will be a shorter course and for Chances it will be a closer line.