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WORKING SEMINAR

Is your dog small in stature? Are you new to Teacup Dogs agility? Are you considering competing in Teacup Dogs agility? Are you wondering how this venue operates? Would you like to spend some quality time learning the smaller equipment and tighter spacing on courses with your dog?

Perhaps you have already competed in TDAA trials, but would you like a refresher on the rules and your dog would like more time with the equipment? Do you think some training based on TDAA rules would be beneficial to you and your teammate? Do you want to learn more about how to play those cool games you see at TDAA trials?

Would you like to be better prepared for TDAA trials? Did you know that the 2008 *Petit Prix* (the Teacup Dogs Agility Association Nationals) will be held in Westminster, Vermont, a mere 2 hours from the Capital District, and that you can enter the *Petit Prix* if you have entered at least one trial this year?

If you answered "Yes!" to any of these questions, then this Working Seminar is for you. This seminar is open to all dogs over the age of 12 months and measuring 17 inches or less at the withers, except bitches in season, aggressive dogs, or dogs suffering from any deformity, injury, or illness that may affect a dog's physical or mental performance.

Here are the details...

What: TDAA Working Seminar. The seminar will be led by two TDAA judges – Trisha Stall and Jeff Boyer. Topics to be covered include:

- ◆ Review of how TDAA operates, the titling classes offered, and titling requirements
- ◆ Review of TDAA rules, especially jump heights, obstacles, course design, scoring, and games
- ◆ Obstacle familiarization, with you and your dog working several short sequences using TDAA-regulation equipment and obstacle distances
- ◆ Standard course run-throughs, where you will test yourself on a TDAA-style course
- ◆ Games course run-throughs, where you will test your abilities to learn a new game
- ◆ 2 sanctioned classes – Standard and FullHouse – where you and your dog can compete to earn qualifying runs toward TDAA titles

When: Friday, March 21, 2008, 3pm-5:50pm (seminar); 5:30-6:30 (dinner); 6:30-8:00 (trial)

Where: Saratoga County 4H Training Center, Ballston Spa, NY

Cost: \$50 for a handler and 1 dog

Includes: Seminar, light dinner, and a mini trial consisting of 2 sanctioned runs – Standard and Fullhouse.

You do not have to enter the trial on March 22 and 23 to participate in this seminar. You do not have to participate in this seminar to enter the Friday night trial.

To register for this working seminar, complete the attached form and return it with payment (make checks payable to **AgileDogs**) to the address shown. If your dog is not registered with TDAA, you must also complete the registration form found elsewhere in this premium; you may return the registration form with payment (make checks payable to TDAA) with your seminar registration form.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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HOTELS THAT ACCEPT WELL BEHAVED DOGS

SOME HOTEL COURTESIES TO OBSERVE: There are very few motels in the area that accommodate competitors and their dogs. Please use care with your dogs in these motels.

- ✓ Cover the motel's bedding with a sheet, whether or not you think your dog will get on the bed.
- ✓ Make every effort to have your dog free of fleas BEFORE arriving
- ✓ Of course, as is standard agility procedure, the dog's handler/owner will pick up all poop. Please bag and dispose of it properly. Remember that your motel is an extension of the show site. You must clean up after your dog.
- ✓ Don't leave your dog(s) unattended. If you must leave, either take them with you, or leave them crated. Even the best dogs(s) can get carried away having fun in a motel room without you present. We WILL request reports from the motels as to the behavior of agility guest and their dogs. Please be respectful of your motel neighbors.

- ♦ ***Playmore Farms Inn*** (formerly Best Western Playmore) (518) 584-2350; Route 9, southern entrance to Saratoga Springs; 3 miles from show site
- ♦ ***Post Road Lodge*** (518) 584-4169; Rt. 9 at I-87 Exit 13S; 6 miles from show site
- ♦ ***Super 8*** (518) 587-6244; 17 Old Gick Rd., Saratoga Springs. Just off Exit 15 of I- 87, across from Wal-Mart; 5 minutes from show site
- ♦ ***Cocca's Motel*** (518) 587-1000; Route 9, 2 mile N of I- 87 Exit 12; 10 minutes from show site
- ♦ ***Robin Hood Motel*** (518) 885-8899; Route 50 north of Ballston Spa. \$50 single/\$55double plus \$5 per dog; 10 to 15 minutes from show site
- ♦ ***Town & Country Motel*** (518) 793-3471; Route 9, off I- 87 Exit 17N; 15 minutes from show site
- ♦ ***Country Club Motel*** (518) 584-4780; 306 Church St., Rte. 9N, Saratoga Springs; 10 minutes from show site
- ♦ ***Top Hill Motel*** (518) 584-5232; Rt 9, southern entrance to Saratoga Springs; 10 minutes



DIRECTIONS TO TRIAL SITE:

From the South: Take the Adirondack Northway (Route 87) to exit 12, Rte 67. Stay on 67 until the traffic light at Middleline Road – turn right and the 4H Center is on the right.

From the North: Take the Adirondack Northway (Route 87) to exit 13S, Route 9 South. Turn right at the first light onto Malta Ave. Follow to the next light in the center of Ballston Spa. Turn left at this light onto Route 50. Then turn right onto 67 West. Follow to the traffic light at Middleline Road, and turn right. The 4H center is on the right.

From the West: Take the NYS Thruway to exit 27 (Amsterdam). Turn right off the ramp onto Route 30N. Take Route 67 East through Amsterdam, crossing Route 147. At the next light turn left onto Middleline Rd. The 4H center is on the right.

TRIAL CLASS INFORMATION

Standard Class

Beginners Agility—All dogs shall be eligible for participation in this class. There shall be no grand-fathering of titles from other organizations.

Intermediate Agility— Only dogs who have earned the Teacup Beginner Agile Dog (TBAD) shall be eligible for participation in this class.

Superior Agility— Only dogs who have earned the Teacup Intermediate Agile Dog (TIAD) shall be eligible for participation in this class. (Dogs who have earned the Teacup Superior Agile Dog (TSAD) are also eligible for this class.)

Games Classes

Games I—All dogs shall be eligible for participation in this class. There shall be no grand-fathering of titles from other organizations.

Games II— Only dogs who have earned the Games I (TG1) shall be eligible for participation in this class.

Games III— Only dogs who have earned the Games II (TG2) or Games III (TG3) shall be eligible for participation in this class.

FullHouse: This is a points gathering game in which teams make up a course which includes at least 3 jumps, 2 round things (chute, tunnel, tire) and one “joker” (any contact obstacle, weave poles, or combination – only 3 of these will be present on the course). In addition the total points must meet a minimum for their respective level. When time runs out teams have 5 seconds to get to the table to stop the clock and avoid penalties for being over time.

Height Divisions

Owners are responsible for entering the proper height division. Judges reserve the right to measure dogs entered in any trial. At the handler's option, dogs may be entered in a higher height division, but not in a division lower than their proper height division. Dogs that run in a height division lower than their proper division will be eliminated.

- 4" jump height: for dogs measuring 8" or less at the withers; or dogs with a jump height exemption measuring 12" or less
- 8" jump height: for dogs measuring 12" or less at the withers; or dogs with a jump height exemption measuring 15" or less
- 12" jump height: for dogs measuring 15" or less at the withers; or dogs with a jump height exemption measuring 17" or less
- 16" jump height: for dogs measuring 17" or less at the withers.

Special provisions are made for dogs that are long-backed, have a weight-to-height exemption, or who have dwarfish legs (see rules for complete description of height exemptions; www.k9tdaa.com). A jump height exemption (next lower height) will also be granted to veteran dogs (dogs of at least 7 years of age).



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DOG REGISTRATION FORM

Return this completed form with \$12.00 registration fee to:
Teacup Dogs Agility Association
Post Office Box 158
Maroa, IL 61756

Dog's Full Name

Dog's Call Name

Breed

Date of Birth

Sex

Height at Withers

Provisional jump height information:

___ Long Back Dogs ___ Weight to height provision (by structure, not obesity)

___ Dog's leg to shoulder height ratio is ___% (must be 50% or less)

Actual Owner(s) please print

Owner's Address

City/State/Zip

Phone Number

E-mail address

Owner's Signature

(For Office Use Only) **Dog Registration
Number**

Working Seminar Registration Form

AgileDogs Agility Training TDAA Sanctioned Working Seminar, March 21, 2008 -- Ballston Spa, NY
 Closing Date: March 12, 2008. Make registration fee (\$50) payable in US Funds to: **AGILEDogs**. Mail
 Entries to: Trisha Stall, PO Box 321, New Lebanon, NY 12125. If you send your entry Overnight or
 Express mail, you **MUST** specify **"No Signature Required"**.

Owners Name		Handler, If different from Owner	
Address			
City	State	Zip	☐ I prefer my confirmation snail mailed
☐ Veteran (7 years or older) ☐ Long Backed Dog ☐ Dog's Leg to Shoulder Height ratio is 50% or less ☐ My Dog is a Rescue Dog! Email: _____ Phone: _____			
Dog's Call Name			Height at Withers
Breed			Birth Date
TDAA # _____ Or ☐ New (Include TDAA registration form and fees)			
Measured Jump Height: ☐ 4" ☐ 8" ☐ 12" ☐ 16"		Actual Jump Height (if different): ☐ 4" ☐ 8" ☐ 12"	

Please complete the following for the two sanctioned classes to be run as part of the Working Seminar:

FRIDAY 3/21	Standard Run #1	☐ Beginners	☐ Intermediate	☐ Superior
	FullHouse	☐ Games I	☐ Games II	☐ Games III

AGREEMENT

I certify that I am the actual owner of the dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I have entered above in consideration of the acceptance of this entry. I (We) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the Teacup Dogs Agility Association in the premium list for this agility trial, or both, and further agree to be bound by the "Agreement" printed on the reverse side of this entry form. I (We) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and agreement.

Signature – Owner or Parent / Guardian if Minor

Date

I(We) acknowledge that the "Teacup Dogs Agility Association Rules & Regulations" have been made available to me(us), and that I am(we are) familiar with their contents. I(We) agree to hold the TDAA and any TDAA approved judge harmless from any legal claim resulting from said judge's action under the TDAA Rules, Regulations and Guidelines. I(We) agree that the club holding the Agility Trial has the right to refuse entry for cause which the club shall deem to be sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of the Agility Trial and of the opportunity to have the dog judged, I(we) agree to hold harmless the directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents or show secretary and the owner or lessor of the premises and any employees of the aforementioned parties from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or things by the act of this dog while in or upon the show/trial premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I(we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim, and I(we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss of this dog by disappearance, theft, death or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury to the dog, whether such loss, disappearance, theft, damage or injury, be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the club or any of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes.

I(We) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the 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 aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time arising out of or in consequence of my(our) participation in this Agility Trial, howsoever such injuries, death or damage to property 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.