



**LIETASH**  
**CANINE ACADEMY**



## Agility FUN Match - June 27, 2009

Outside, On Grass  
Lietash “Grass Roots Farm”  
South Rawdon, Nova Scotia

Rain or Shine

**Closing Date: June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

**Judge: Hayley Warner, Nova Scotia**

### Schedule of Events

9:30am Measuring  
9:45am Judge’s Briefing  
10:00am First Event

<b>Running Order</b>
<b>Puppy Play - 4-7 mths; 8-11 mths; 12-15 mths</b>
<b>Jumpers – Beginner, Intermediate, Expert</b>
<b>Standard - Beginner, Intermediate, Expert</b>

**IMPORTANT:** The Lietash “Grass Roots Farm” is a working farm and home to many cows, pigs, llamas, sheep, ducks, chickens, turkeys, and peacocks, not to mention the “vacationing” geese, loons, beavers and their respective offspring.

For the safety of ALL, please make sure dogs are kept under control and away from the farm animals and wildlife.

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## FUN MATCH RUN DESCRIPTIONS/GUIDE LINES

**Puppy Play** (similar to an AAC Starters Jumpers but with the following exceptions)

- 4-7 months = 10 obstacles max, **no** jump bars, puppy sized - 2' peak A-Frame
- 8-11 months = 15 obstacles max, **no** jump bars, puppy sized - 2' peak A-Frame
- 12-15 months = 15 obstacles max, puppy sized - 2' peak A-Frame, **no** jumps **OR** handlers can choose to jump their puppy 2 jump heights lower than their anticipated measured jump height where applicable.

\*\*\*All puppies will receive a certificate of participation with special mentions for most **Enthusiastic** and **Fastest** runs!\*\*\*

For dog 16 months and older, all handlers can choose to jump their dogs 1 or 2 jump heights lower than measured jump height.

If you would like to run a dog 16 months or older with **no** jump bars, please contact Fun Match secretary Amy Slaunwhite [amy@furmyfriends.ca](mailto:amy@furmyfriends.ca)

**Jumpers** - for dogs 16 months and older (will follow AAC Rules)

Beginners = Dogs not yet trialing

Intermediate = Dogs with some trial experience

Expert = Dogs with at least 1 year trial experience

**Standard** - for dogs 16 months and older (will follow AAC Rules)

Beginners = dogs not yet trialing

Intermediate = Dogs with some trial experience

Expert = Dogs with at least 1 year trial experience

\*\*\*All dogs 16 months and older will receive a certificate of participation with special mentions for **Flawless** and **Fastest** runs!\*\*\*

### **Treats & Toys**

Handlers will have the option to use treat & toys in the ring with the following conditions.

1. Food rewards must be securely contained to avoid being accidentally dropped or lost while running. In the event the food treats are accidentally spilled on course, the handler is responsible to stop and pick the treats up. Any time it takes to clean up a treat spill will be included in your maximum course time.
2. Food rewards should be feed directly to your dog to avoid dropping/losing treats in the grass
3. Toy rewards should be securely contained as to not accidentally be dropped and tripped on by either dog or handler.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### *It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to be aware of the following Agility FUN Match General Information*

This Agility FUN Match is being organized to simulate the environment of an AAC sanctioned agility trial. With the exception of the Puppy Play runs, AAC rules and guidelines will be followed whenever applicable and possible.

Bitches in season, dogs recovering from injuries or showing signs of aggression will NOT be permitted to run. In the spirit of **sportsmanship** and **fairness** to others, the disregard of these rules will be grounds to dismiss both dog and handler from the Agility FUN Match.

**Confirmation Letters** will be sent via e-mail unless otherwise requested.

**No entries will be withdrawn** after the closing date, with the following exceptions:

- 1) Dogs that have been injured after the closing date or bitches in season – a vet certificate is required for refund
- 2) Extenuating circumstances will be evaluated on an individual bases.

**NSF Cheques** are subject to a \$20 service charge and all fees must be paid prior to the trial date. Cheques may be post-dated up to the closing date, and will be cashed immediately following the closing date.

There will be **no** obstacle familiarization offered. At least 1 warm-up area with two jumps will be provided. The warm-up area is for use with dogs that are about to run.

**Ring Ready:** In order to run a more efficient trial, exhibitors are responsible to check-in at the gate for each event, and be on-deck, ready for your turn. Failure to do so may cause you to lose your turn.

**Fencing:** There will a six-foot tall chain-link fence around the performance ring.

**Volunteering:** All participants are expected to volunteer. Please indicate on your entry form which volunteer position you would prefer. A Fun Match it is a great time to try volunteer positions that you may have previously been hesitant to try.

### **Dog-Friendly Accommodations**

Downsview Motel - 1 Riverside Dr, Lower Sackville - Phone: 902-865-4343

Esquire Motel – 771 Bedford Highway - Phone: 800-565-3367

### **Contact Information**

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**NO late entries will be accepted. Closing Date: June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2009**

## Directions

### **From Highway 102**

- Take exit **4B** to merge onto **Bedford Hwy/NS-1** toward **HWY 101/Windsor** and follow instructions **From Highway 101**

### **From Highway 101**

- Travel along the **HWY 101 West** (towards Windsor)
- Take exit **3** on **HWY 101** towards **HWY 1** (Mount Uniacke)
- At the stop sign facing the Irving Gas Station, turn **Left** onto **Evangeline Trail/HWY 1**
- Travel along **HWY 1** ~ 7-10 minutes, shortly after you pass the **Lakelands Convenience** store, you will see a sign for South Rawdon (both are on your right)
- Turn **right** at **South Rawdon Rd**
- Travel on South Rawdon Road ~ 7-10 minutes and look for Lietash Agility signs.
- Turn right onto gravel road there will be large pig pens on either side of the gravel road. Please drive **SLOWLY** past all the farm animals.
- At the first fork on the gravel road veer right and you should see the fenced in agility field.

## **Tips For Your First Agility Fun Match**

Prepare for the match by ensuring you have items you'll need for you and your dog. Review the following lists and pack the items that are appropriate for your match location.

Bring for your dog:

- Water
- Water dish
- Training treats and any favorite toys
- Crate/kennel or x-pen
- Blankets or pet bed
- Collar & Leash
- Doggie pickup bags
- Towel - if your dog will be swimming at the lake
- Tent / Shade Shelters
- Shade Screens or Fans for cooling

Bring for you:

- Water or other beverage
- Snacks and lunch
- Sunscreen
- Insect repellent
- Hat for shade or warmth
- Camp chair
- Comfortable shoes and/or shoes that are good for running on grass
- Disposable hand cleaning towelettes
- Rain Gear – boots, pants and jacket – if the weather calls for it

Plan to get to the match a little early. Give your dog a chance to walk around and get comfortable. Even if the match is in familiar surroundings, there will likely be strange dogs and people.

Find a location for setting up you and your dog's "camp". Bedding with a familiar scent, a favorite toy, along with water and a small treat, will help your dog feel comfortable.

Volunteer. Organizers always appreciate all the help they can get and now many hosting clubs require that all participants volunteer. Not only will volunteering give you a better understanding of agility on a whole, it is a great time to meet new people, and ask questions.

Before your run, walk your dog so he or she has a chance to limber up and become comfortable. Some dogs enjoy a quick game of tug or fetch before a run. Playing with your dog will help both of you relax. Practice some of the skills you'll need by taking advantage of the warm-up jumps. If your event uses a table, practice quick downs. Ensure your dog has a chance to "potty" before your run. Even during a fun match, accidents in the ring are taboo.

Feel anxious as you enter the ring is normal for many people. Deep breathing and calming thoughts should help; try not to communicate your nervousness to your dog. As soon as you start running the course, you'll become focused on your dog and the course, you won't even notice the spectators.

When you are done running, take a moment to praise, play with, and treat your dog. It does NOT matter if it was a smooth or bumpy run, either way you want to leave the dog feeling agility is fun. Savor the accomplishment of just running in the match; the important thing is that you and your partner participated.

Enjoy watching others' runs and other events. You can pick up handling tips by watching other handlers and dogs.

**Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address** \_\_\_\_\_

**City** \_\_\_\_\_ **Prov** \_\_\_\_\_

**Postal Code** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dog's Name** \_\_\_\_\_

**Breed** \_\_\_\_\_ **Birth Date** \_\_\_\_\_

### Jump Height - Please Check

<b>6"</b>	<b>10"</b>	<b>16"</b>	<b>22"</b>	<b>26"</b>
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Jump Height is only applicable to dogs 12 months and older, that measure >12" at the whithers and is responsibility of the owner/handler to decide what is appropriate for each dog. It is not mandatory that dogs 12 mths and older jump with set bars.

EVENT	CLASS			Fee
Saturday	4-7 mths	8-11 mths	12-15 mths	Fee
Puppy Play				\$5.00

To participate in Jumpers/Standard Runs dogs should be a minimum of 16 mths old

Beginner = no trial experience  
 Intermediate = some trial experience  
 Expert = at least 1 year trial experience

Saturday	Beginner	Intermediate	Expert	Fee
Jumpers				\$7.00
Standard				\$7.00

**Total \$:** \_\_\_\_\_

All Confirmations will be sent via email. No email?  
 Please confirm by : Phone [ ] Canada Post [ ]

**LIETASH AGILITY FUN MATCH - REGISTRATION AGREEMENT**

I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the organizing committee shall deem to be sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, the holding of this event and the opportunity to have the dog participate or be judged, I (we) agree to hold the organizing committee, the organization members which it represents, upon which the event is held and their employees, harmless from any claim for loss of injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person of thing by the act of this dog while in or upon the event 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 by or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence or 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 the law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time resulting there from sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves) or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, howsoever such injuries, death or damage to property may be 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 person.

I CERTIFY that I am the actual owner of the dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner of the dog enter hereon. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (we) have read, understand and will abide by the Rules and Guidelines of the Agility FUN Match, in effect at the time of this entry, and by additional rules and regulations appearing in the Agility FUN Match Schedule for this event. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. This entry form is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and General Agreement/disclaimer. I (we) agree to conduct myself (ourselves) in accordance with such Rules and Guidelines, respecting all other competitors, volunteers, judges and any spectators. Any issues/grievances should be brought to the attention of Amy Slaunwhite asap

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Children under 18 must have this agreement signed by a PARENT/GUARDIAN  
 SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**VOLUNTEERS!** All participants are expected to volunteer. If you do not specify what job you would like, one will be assigned to you. Please Check.

ANYWHERE!		Scribe
Gate Keeper		Timer
Course Builder & Ring Crew		Scribe/Timers' Assistant

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