

The British Agility Association
The best of British Agility
Considering the long-term wellbeing of your dogs,
both in Training Methods & Competition.



BAA JUDGES Required !

**IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN JUDGING
at any BAA shows please feel free to contact us.**

June@baa.uk.net

Or download and submit a Judges form www.baa.uk.net

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www.baa.uk.net

**British Agility Association shows Members Groups on
FACEBOOK for chat suggestions & questions.**

“TRAGILITY DTC”

Presents

BAA GRAND PRIX AGILITY
Run to British Agility Association Rules

on

Sunday 4th MARCH 2012

At

**Manor Farm Equestrian Centre
Sawtry Way, Houghton,
Huntingdon
CAMBS. PE28 2DY**

Judging Commences 8.30 a.m.

Closing Date: 7th February 2012

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Entry Fees: £3.25 per class or 4 classes for £12
Cheques if required may be post dated to the closing date.

Closing Date for entries: As stated above or earlier if over subscribed.
Entries will not be accepted after the closing date

Show Enquiries

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Entries Enquiries

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“TRAGILITY DTC”

Would like to welcome you to our first winter series for BAA in Huntingdon.

Directions to venue:

A14 going South

At junction **23**, exit toward **Huntingdon/March/A141**

At the roundabout, take the **1st** exit onto **A141** heading to **Huntingdon/March**

Go through 3 roundabouts

At the roundabout, take the **2nd** exit onto **Huntingdon Rd/A1123**

Continue to follow A1123

Turn left onto **Mere Way**

Turn right onto **Sawtry Way/B1090**

Destination will be on the right

Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire PE28 2DY

A14 going North

At junction **26**, take the **A1096** exit to **Biggleswade/B1040/St Ives**

At the roundabout, take the **1st** exit onto **A1096** heading to **St Ives/Hemingford Grey/Cambridge/A14**

Slight right to stay on **A1096** (signs for **St Ives**)

Go through 3 roundabouts

At the roundabout, take the **1st** exit onto **A1123**

Go through 1 roundabout

Turn right onto **Sawtry Way/B1090**

Destination will be on the left

Huntingdon, Cambridgeshire PE28 2DY

Vet on call:

Best Friends March

3 Upwell Road

March, Cambs. PE15 9DT

TEL: 07813588804

Further Dates for BAA Shows

13th November 2011 Agility Ability W2 - Norwich

26th November 2011 Beach-Side W1 at Great Yarmouth

11th December 2011 Agility Ability W3 – Norwich

18th December 2011 Tragility DTC - Huntingdon

8th January 2012 Agility Ability W4 - Norwich

8th January 2012 4 Paws W2 Agility at Etwell, Derby

21st January 2012 Beach-Side W2 at Great Yarmouth

5th February 2012 Tragility DTC - Huntingdon

12th February 2012 Agility Ability W5 - Norwich

4th March 2012 Tragility DTC - Huntingdon

11th March 2012 Agility Ability W6 - Norwich

24th March 2012 Beach-Side W3 at Great Yarmouth

21st-22nd April 2012 EMDAC - Asfordby Leicestershire

5th - 9th May 2012 BEACHSIDE - Waxham Sands

12th-13th May 2012 Jumping Jacks- Surrey

19th-20th May 2012 EMDAC - Asfordby Leicestershire

8th- 9th-10th June 2012 T & A Agility - Littleport Cambs

16th-17th June 2012 Jumping Jacks - Surrey

23rd-24th June 2012 EMDAC - Asfordby Leicestershire

7th-8th July 2012 Jumping Jacks - Surrey

12th-15th July 2012 BAA 10 YEAR CELEBRATION SHOW hosted by

EMDAC - Asfordby Leicestershire

28th-29th July 2012 T & A Agility - Littleport Cambs

18th-19th August 2012 Jumping Jacks - Surrey

25th-27th August 2012 BAA Grand Prix Finals - Asfordby Leicestershire

1st-2nd September 2012 Jumping Jacks - Surrey

Plus many others yet to be scheduled.

Awards

Rosettes to minimum 3rd place in classes of 5 or more

Rosettes to minimum 20%

Trophies at organiser's discretion

Dependent on entry some levels may be combined for awards

SHOW RULES

British Agility Association Rules for Agility Competitions apply to these events. Copies of full show and competition rules available on request on entry form cost £1.00 (SAE Required) or on the BAA website. www.baa.uk.net

1. Training is not permitted on the course either before or whilst under test
2. Training aides are not permitted in or around the rings.
3. Competitors are required to report for allocated ring duties.
4. The show organiser reserves the right to refuse entries.
5. In the event of over subscription entries may be limited.
6. Competitors enter at their own risk and must sign and date the declaration on the entry form.
7. All participating dogs must be aged 18 months or over.
8. In the unlikely event that any BAA event is cancelled, the organisers reserve the right to deduct unrecoverable expenses incurred before returning entry fees.
9. The show organiser reserves the right to combine/split classes depending on entry levels.
10. Please respect the venue and pick up after your dogs (anyone found not picking up after their dog will be excluded from future BAA shows), and also dispose of all rubbish responsibly.
11. Competitors are solely responsible for ensuring that they are available for their classes.
12. Please queue at least six feet apart & keep clear of the ring Exit
13. Have fun with your dogs!

Help!!!!

A condition of entering a BAA show brings a requirement that all competitors give some time, to assist at a ring. It is one of the things you are agreeing to when you sign the entry form. If you do not wish to help then please do not enter a BAA show.

All competitors will be allocated a time slot when they will be required to make themselves available at a ring. This will be marked on your ring cards. Each ring will have a Ring Manager who will be responsible for allocating tasks and arranging relief so that all can enjoy their dogs. If everyone does their bit, then no one should need to work more than an hour or so! No one is expected to forgo running their dog in the process of helping.

British "Dog of the Year"

The BAA records all results from all shows and compiles performance league tables in the categories of Introductory, Primary, Novice, Graduate, Masters, Perpetual trophies will be awarded to the leading Agility Dog of the Year at each jump height in each category.

The leading dogs & handlers from the tables will also qualify for the BAA Grand Prix Tournament Finals at the EMDAC August Bank Holiday Weekend show. There will separate Finals for Jumping and Agility. At the Finals show there will be a last chance opportunity for all to qualify for the Grand Prix Finals. Perpetual trophies will also be awarded to the Finals winners.

Points are accumulated for performances from all BAA shows during the season including the Winter Series which count towards qualification for the BAA Grand Prix Finals. There are also Trophies for the leading points scoring dogs that will be presented at the Grand Prix Finals weekend.

Pawsability classes will not be included in the points tables or Grand Prix Finals. No points will be awarded for Pairs, Team, invitation, demonstration or non-scheduled Pay on the Day classes. Points will be awarded in all other scheduled classes unless specifically excluded in the show schedule.

Other BAA Leagues include:

BAA JUNIOR HANDLER LEAGUE

Points from all scheduled JUNIOR HANDLER classes at BAA shows count toward the "BAA Junior Handler of the Year Award" and the Junior Handler GRAND PRIX FINAL.

Separate Classes for:

Under 12's Elementary (*For Introductory & Primary capable Handlers*)

12 to 16's Elementary

Under 12's Advanced (*For Novice & Above capable Handlers*)

12 to 16's Advanced

Over 60's Female Handler

(You need to register to be part of these leagues)

Over 60's Male Handler

See entry form or

Contact June 01664 500327

Email: June@baa.uk.net

GUNDOG LEAGUE

RESCUE LEAGUE

Please visit the BAA website at <http://www.baa.uk.net> for further show information, comprehensive on line results service, Schedule & Rules Downloads and much more.

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(Please include an A5 sae) or from the BAA website. www.baa.uk.net

The Major differences are:

- Reviewed dog heights
- 4 jump heights with option of veterans etc: to jump at lower jump height. Maximum permitted jump height is 24 ins.
- Dogs (with less than six wins in a season) may retain their status for the entire show year
- Up contacts of contact obstacles will not be marked.
- There will be no tyre obstacle in any class.
- In Introductory classes, refusals are not marked, **except at the weaves**, and handlers may carry a silent toy in the ring.
- Lower Dog-Walk & A Frame in Veterans.
- No training allowed on the course either before or whilst under test.
- Training aides are not permitted either in or around the rings.

Any dog and handler is eligible to enter BAA shows (though there are some restrictions at the August Bank Holiday Finals Weekend Show). No membership fee or dog registration fee is required. All dogs are automatically registered into the BAA database free of charge when you enter your first BAA show. Your dog will be allocated a BAA registration number which will be on your ring card. **Please make a note of this number and use it on all future BAA show entries** as it greatly assists in processing your entries, and ensures your league points tallies are maintained correctly.

Dogs which currently compete in Grade 4 or above (KC) by virtue of handlers wins with another dog may enter at one level below – PRIMARY.

INITIAL entry levels are:

KC Grade 1	= INTRODUCTORY
KC Grade 2	= PRIMARY
KC Grade 3*	= PRIMARY or NOVICE
KC Grade 4	= NOVICE
KC Grade 5*	= NOVICE or GRADUATE
KC Grade 6	= GRADUATE
KC Grade 7	= MASTERS

*Grades 3 & 5 have a choice of entry level.

For dogs not jumping their regulation BAA jump height they can be entered in either:

Pawsability - for dogs of any age that for whatever reason are not able to jump at their designated jump height as specified in height definitions. Choice of jump height 9, 13.75 or 17.75ins. No dog in this class will be permitted to jump over 17.75ins. This category is designed for young dogs just starting their agility careers and also for dogs that are returning to agility after a layoff from illness/injury. Dogs can enter this class at any time and when ready, return to their appropriate ability level & jump height. It also gives opportunity for veteran dogs to enter at lower height before fully committing to veteran classes.

NB: where Pawsability classes are not available competitors may enter NFC in other appropriate levels.

Or alternatively:

Veteran – for dogs of 7 years of age and over. Choice of jump height 9, 13.75 or 17.75ins. No veteran dog will be permitted to jump higher than 17.75ins. Once a dog enters BAA Veteran it will be expected to remain there for the remainder of its agility career and will not be permitted in future shows at Introductory, Primary, Novice, Graduate or Masters.

Status for all BAA shows is that effective at 1st October or initial entry level if entering first BAA show after that date. Dogs may retain their status for the entire BAA show season (1st October to September 30th), if the handler wishes.

BAA will keep a record of results during the season. At the end of season the top performing dogs will be promoted to next level, for the following season.

An 'On Application' relegation system also operates to allow dogs to move down the levels. For full details of progression system, please refer to 'BAA Rules for Agility Competitions & the BAA website.

A dog may be entered in ONE height category only, Micro, Mini, Medium or Maxi

Please check definitions below – you may find your dog is eligible at a different height category than you compete elsewhere. You may also have a choice of height category.

Please specify jump height category on the entry form.

Micro

For dogs that measure 14in or under at the withers. Jump height will be 9in.

Mini

For dogs that measure 16in or under at the withers. Jump height will be 13.75in.

Medium

For dogs that measure over 14in and 20in or under at the withers. Jump height 17.75in.

Maxi

For dogs that measure over 17in at the withers. Jump height will be 24in.

Level Classification A dog may be entered in *Designated* level only, and must be specified in the appropriate box for each dog on the entry form. Levels are:- Introductory, Primary, Novice, Graduate, Masters & Veteran.

If you enter at a jump height less than in the size definitions above, you must enter Pawsability where available or otherwise NFC.

ON THE ENTRY FORM YOU MUST SPECIFY YOUR DOGS BAA REGISTRATION NUMBER – this ensures that your dog is entered at its correct level and it also ensures that your points tally is maintained correctly throughout the year.

For dogs new to BAA please enter level as follows:

All dogs AND handlers new to agility should enter as **INTRODUCTORY**.
Handlers with new dogs that have never competed at Novice or above should enter their new dogs as **INTRODUCTORY**.
For handlers that have competed at Novice or above, their new dogs should enter as **PRIMARY**.

Dogs/handlers that compete under other organisations are required to make **INITIAL** entry to BAA shows at the appropriate level as follows:

Online Running Orders

The BAA offer all their competitors the option to download Running Orders, Ring Plans and Show Information for all BAA Shows. Please note that the online running orders **ARE NOT SENT BY E-MAIL** and are only available via download from the BAA website. The BAA will **only** publish running orders for competitors who **request** it. For those wishing to take advantage of our Online Running Orders service, please tick the box on the entry form & do not send an SAE. Please include your Email address. Running orders will be available approximately 2 weeks before each show at **www.baa.uk.net**
All errors/issues must be resolved 7 days prior to the show.

We value your comments/suggestions. Please take the time to write down any comments/suggestions and hand in at the show.

KNOCKOUT CHALLENGES

In addition to the Gundog & Rescue Leagues the BAA presents these Knockout challenges for your enjoyment.

The BRITISH GUNDOG KNOCKOUT CHALLENGE (open to all Gundogs which have attended at least 4 BAA shows & gained at least 100 points during the season)
Points from ALL scheduled BAA shows during the BAA season count toward these finals which will take place at The British Agility Association Finals weekend on August Bank Holiday

The BRITISH RESCUE DOG KNOCKOUT CHALLENGE (open to all Rescue Dogs which have attended at least 4 BAA shows & gained at least 100 points during the season)
Points from ALL scheduled BAA shows during the BAA season count toward these finals which will take place at The British Agility Association Finals weekend on August Bank Holiday

BAA Major Competitions

Seeking the “Best of British Agility Dogs & Handlers”

“The British Open Grand Prix Championships”

Featuring:

The British Open Grand Prix Maxi Championships

The British Open Grand Prix Medium Championships

The British Open Grand Prix Mini Championships

The British Open Grand Prix Micro Championships

This competition is OPEN to all dogs from Primary, Novice, Graduate & Masters levels.

All dogs will compete over the same course with awards & titles to each height.

Maxi, Medium, Mini, Micro.

The FINALS will consist of 1 Agility & 1 Jumping course which will be set at Novice level. The top scoring dog (*Up to the closing date of EMDAC July show*) from each level & height competing in each area (North, South, East, West & The Midlands) will qualify for the Finals. FINALISTS WILL BE INFORMED

Finalists will consist of 20 Maxi, 20 Medium, 20 Mini & 20 Micro.

The Finals will take place at EMDAC show in July at Asfordby Amateurs Sports Club, Melton Mowbray, Leicestershire.

Quality Trophies & Rosettes to the Winners.

FEATURING THE “British Trio’s Challenge”

(Three dogs of the same height but different levels, individually collect points at BAA shows throughout the season, to then collectively qualify for the British Trio’s finals.)

Don’t miss out on this very popular & Unique to BAA, Challenge !

Pick up an application form at shows or Download from

www.baa.uk.net

If you cannot find a Trio then contact June Or advertise/seek on the BAA Discussion Forum.

REGIONAL Qualifiers & Finals

British Grand Prix FINALS 2012

Held at Asfordby Amateurs Sports Club

Asfordby Near Melton Mowbray

Leicestershire

August Bank Holiday Weekend

Schedule of Classes

Sunday 4th March 2012

1. **Introductory Agility**
2. **Introductory Jumping**
3. **Introductory Agility 2**
4. **Introductory Tunnel Torment**
5. **Primary Agility**
6. **Primary Jumping**
7. **Primary Agility 2**
8. **Primary Tunnel Torment**
9. **Novice Plus Agility**
10. **Novice Plus Jumping**
11. **Novice Plus Agility 2**
12. **Novice Plus Tunnel Torment**
13. **Veteran Agility**
14. **Veteran Jumping**
15. **Veteran Agility 2**
16. **Veteran Tunnel Torment**
17. **Open Junior Jumping**
18. **Open Junior Tunnel Torment**

Novice Plus classes are open to all dogs eligible for Novice level and above –
i.e. all Novice, Graduate & Masters dogs.

*Agility classes have contact equipment, Jumping classes do not.
Pawsability dogs may enter other classes at any height NFC.*

Class Descriptions: Judges will provide a more comprehensive description at the show where necessary.

Agility 2

A straightforward agility course.

Tunnel Torment

Avoid those tunnels to survive.