



Newsletter for February, 2008
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Coming events

Fun Match, February 24

We are very fortunate that Gys has been able to get the Agriplex (horsebarn) for us and Kris has set the event up. We will be running, if time permits, a gambler's course, an easy Standard and a difficult Standard, a Steeplechase and two Jumpers runs. Donna and I will share the judging. As usual all participants will be expected to help with set-up, tear down and the usual jobs such as timer, scribe, gate keeper and ring crew. The really good news is that the entire event will cost only \$10 per dog for members and \$15 for non-members. That is not per run. That is for the whole event! We have the barn from 1:00 til 5:00 so mark your calendars, register with Kris and be there! This will be a great tune-up for our March trial.

Because time is limited we may have to limit the entry to around 30 dogs. We will try to expedite the runs. I expect that we will forgo wheeling the course and we will just use the estimated yardage to set standard course times. We will minimize equipment changes so course changes will be done in just a few minutes. We are asking all handlers to have their dogs ready to run right away when the dog ahead is finished.

AAC Trial March 8/9

We are back in the horse arena March 8 and 9th for our regular "winter-is-nearly-over" sanctioned agility trial. We have been playing a multi-round game of "who will judge this thing anyway?" but now things should be pretty well set. The trial is listed on the AAC website as being judged by Kim Collins and me. However, these names were just given to AAC as placeholders. Kim is out of town that weekend and it is now Donna Holmgren's turn to have her certifying exam trial. We had booked Anita Thomson from Vancouver Island to judge the Masters and Advanced courses and to supervise Donna's Starters courses. Unfortunately Anita's husband passed away suddenly and she is not coming to Prince George. So we now have Cindy Swiney from Didsbury Alberta to work with Donna at our trial. Donna will judge the Starters rounds and Cindy will judge the Advanced and the Masters and she will also supervise Donna's courses.

Kamloops: June is going to be very exciting here in sunny Kamloops!

June 3, 4, 5 - STACY PEARDOT GOUDY is here for a 3 day handling seminar! Handling spots are full, but I am taking names for the waiting list. There are unlimited auditing spots.

June 6 (Friday) - Puppy and Novice
Camp by Shannon Mercer

June 7 and 8 - Regional Prep Trial with
wonderful judges TIM OSTREM and
JEANNE SHAW! You know it'll be tons
of fun. This will also be the B.C. debut
of Tim and Isabelle's baby.

All the above events are being held at 5
Star's new site - a secluded ball park
with tons of dry camping. This site is
very popular.

Check 5 Star's website soon for the entry
forms. www.fivestardogs.ca

Mary Zacharatos
5 Star Dog Training

Workshop in Calgary:

Rachel Sanders will be coming to
Calgary AB for a 2 day Handling
seminar March 8 & 9 2008. If anyone is
interested in this seminar please email
info@pawsitivesteps.ca. If you would
like more info on Rachel visit the Clean
Run web site to see some of the DVD's
she has out or visit
www.fastforwarddogsports.com.

Regionals:

Warning! Do not book any other
activities for the weekend of June 13,14
and 15. We are all going to Abbotsford
for the agility event of the year. For
more information the website is:
www.2008bcyukonregionals.com