



# Austin K9 Xpress

March 1 – 3, 2024 Dripping Springs Ranch Park (DSRP) 1042 Event Center Dr. – Dripping Springs, TX 78620 www.drippingspringsranchpark.com

## Judge: James Bell

Double Run Format Indoor Horse Arena on Packed Dirt

> **Contact Surface:** Rubber Contacts

# Crating Set up times:

Friday: 11:30 am Saturday & Sunday: 7 am

## Briefing at:

Friday: 12:45 pm Saturday & Sunday: 7:45 am

First dog on the line at: Friday: 1 pm Saturday & Sunday: 8 am

## **Preliminary Class Order:**

May change depending on weather, judge's preference, time or number of entries This trial will have one judge with two alternating rings. (See run order link on page 5)

Friday						
Class:	Ring 1	Ring 2				
Chances	2					
Jumpers		2				
Gamblers	2					

#### Saturday

Class:	Ring 1	Ring 2					
Regular	2						
Weavers		2					
Chances	2						
Tunnelers		2					

Sunday						
Class:	Ring 1	Ring 2				
Regular	2					
Chances		2				
Touch n Go	2					
Grounders		2				

#### **Entries Open on:**

When premium available

#### **Entries Close on:**

Must be post marked by February 24, 2024

Crating available:

Crating on dirt around the rings

## **Entry Limits:**

Entries close Friday, February 24, 2024 or when trial entry limits of 500 runs per day are reached.

#### Move ups:

Move Ups are allowed from day to day. No Same Day Move Ups. Deadline to turn in Move Up Request Forms is 30 minutes after the last run on the prior day.

## Day of show Entries:

DAY OF SHOW entries will be taken as space allows.

#### **Refunds:**

No refunds will be made for entries withdrawn after the closing date. If the trial cannot be held for reasons beyond the show committee's control, no refunds will be made. Full refunds will be given if you have COVID, COVID like symptoms, or have had an exposure. Please keep the agility community healthy by not attending if you have been exposed to or suspect you have COVID.

## **Show Committee**

Chairs: Jan Daley and Lauren Goldberg Secretary: Kim Galusha

## **Confirmations:**

Will be e-mailed.

# Food info:

There are several fast food and dine-in restaurants within 10 minutes of the trial site. Our worker hospitality room will have great snacks for our volunteers and a worker's lunch on Saturday and Sunday.

# Volunteer info:

Volunteers will get K9X bucks and raffle tickets for our famous Workers Raffle. Signup sheet will be e-mailed to everyone entered. This show can't happen without you. Thanks for volunteering.

## Awards and Ribbons:

Ribbons will be awarded for 1st through 3rd places in all jump heights. Rosettes will be awarded for those finishing a title, and Qualifying Rosettes will be awarded for those achieving a qualifying score. There are no placement ribbons awarded in Chances as it is a pass/fail class. Please let us know in advance if you are running for a NATCH this weekend. Celebration Bars will be awarded for NATCH, V-NATCH and Platinum NATCH.

#### \*\*Plus\*\*

Super Special High-In-Trial Awards!! (Categories for everyone)

## **Equipment info:**

Rubber surfaced dog walk & A-frame, tunnels, hoops, jumps, barrels, and 24" weave poles. Electronic timers will be used at this trial.

## Jump Height Info:

#### MEASURING

Measurement forms may be obtained at:

https://www.nadac.com/WPsite/wp-content/uploads/2021/06/Permanent-Height-Card-form-6.4.21.pdf

#### Dogs which require measuring:

Dogs in the Proficient Category, Novice, Open or Elite jumping 4", 8", 12" or 16"

#### Dogs which do not need to be measured:

Dogs jumping 16" in the Veteran or Junior Handler Division Dogs jumping 20" Dogs in the Skilled Category Dogs with a permanent height card Dogs listed on the Height Exemption List JUMP HEIGHTS

There are four Standard Division-Proficient jump heights: 8", 12", 16", and 20". There are four Standard Division-Skilled jump heights: 4", 8", 12", and 16". There are four jump heights for the Veterans and Junior Handler divisions: 4", 8", 12", and 16". Please see the NADAC Rulebook for the full jump height table

## **Brief Summary of Rules:**

Please refer to <u>www.nadac.com</u> for a full explanation of all NADAC rules and up to date information.

- 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.
- The show committee has the right to refuse any entry. Anyone not currently in good standing with NADAC will not be allowed to enter this trial.
- Exhibitors, through submission of entry, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of NADAC rules and regulations, and agree to abide by all rules in effect at the time of this trial.
- No entry fee will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reasons of riots, civil disturbances, fire, acts of God, public emergency, an act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee.
- Checks not honored by the bank do not constitute a valid entry fee. There will be a \$35.00 service charge for bank returned checks.
- Dog must be registered and have a valid registration number before entries will be accepted. <u>https://www.nadac.com/register-your-dog/</u>
- A copy of the current Exhibitors Handbook may be downloaded free from the NADAC web site: www.nadac.com
- Bitches in heat, lame, or blind dogs are ineligible for entry, as is any dog with a deformity which may cause a judge to not be able to reasonably assess the dog's ability to function and perform agility obstacles safely, and in a manner that is in the best interest, health and welfare of the dog.
- No food, clickers, or other aids or devices shall be permitted on the course or within 10 feet of the ring. Food or a small non-audible toy can be in a secure container (ziplock bag is acceptable) in your pocket during your run but you cannot indicate to the dog it is there. All handlers may bring a non-audible toy into the ring for training purposes. They cannot earn a Qualifying score and must declare to the judge they are training before they commence their run. Please read the Exhibitor's Handbook for more information about toys and training in the ring.
- The sponsoring clubs will not be responsible for the loss or damage to any dog exhibited, or for the possessions of any exhibitor whether the result be accident or other cause. It is distinctly understood that every dog at this event is in the care and control of his owner or handler during the entire time the dog is on the show premises.

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Make Checks Payable to: Austin K9 Xpress

Send entries to: Austin K9Xpress Agility, c/o Kim Galusha, 6800 West Gate Blvd, Suite 132-55, Austin, TX 78745 Questions? Contact Kim at leverage1114@gmail.com

Owner							Call Name	Dog	
Name							Call Name		
Address							NADAC Reg #		
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Phone							Height at Withers		
Email							Breed		
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#### 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 the North American Dog Agility Council, LLC., its members, officers, directors, employees, show chairs, show committees and agents. 1.2. Exhibitor/owner agree to abide by the rules and regulations of NADAC and any other rules and

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 1.3. Exhibitor/owner certify 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 acknowledge all hazards presented by the event and the event premises,

including, but not limited to, the condition of the surface, restrooms, security measures or lack of, electrical appliances, fittings, 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 its respective officers, directors, employees, and members), **Austin K9 Xpress** (including its officers, directors, members, and event organizing committee), and Dripping Springs Ranch Park (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 agrees 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 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.

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. To contact the trial secretary, send email to Kim Galusha at <u>leverage1114@gmail.com</u>

## DOUBLE RUN FORMAT

We will run the same course twice. For example: Elite Jumpers would walk, then run Round 1, then automatically go into Elite Round 2, running the same course. We then build Open, walk through, then run, then go into Open Round 2 running the same course. And so on, with Novice and Intro.

#### \*\*\*\*\*CLASS RUNNING ORDER LINK\*\*\*\*\*\*

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1chtXUmxoKaYwdTGU978iQDKzohYDy\_9lbmtZkmb8F7o /edit?usp=sharing

## CATEGORIES

Each class will be split into two categories, Proficient and Skilled. A dog may only be entered in ONE category per weekend trial. In the Proficient Category, dogs must jump their measured jump height per the current jump height table. In the Skilled Category, exhibitors MUST jump their dog one jump height lower than they are required to jump in the Proficient Category.

**INTRO CLASSES**: 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 (100 points for Regular) and Superior Performance at 100 points (200 points for Regular). In Intro, dogs may jump any jump height lower than their regulation height. Dogs may NOT jump higher than their regulation height, and the Maximum Jump height for intro is 16". There is no intro class in Gamblers. You do NOT have to start in Intro, you can start your dog's NADAC career in Novice! (Please see NADAC Rule Book for Grandfathering to a higher level)

# **VETERAN OR DISABLED HANDLER**

Disabled handlers or handlers aged 60 years or older may opt to enter as a Veteran Handler and receive additional standard course time and the dog must jump 4" lower than their standard division height in the VH division. This division is for handlers only. When entering as a Veteran/Disabled Handler, you must enter all classes and all your dogs in this division for the weekend.

# **VETERAN DOGS**

For dogs, the veteran level is open to any dog age seven (7) years of age or older. The dog's age shall be determined by the dog's actual birthday, or the closest date, as known.

Dogs must enter the Veteran Division after their 9th birthday. Dogs in this division are given the allocated Veteran course times.

After their 12th birthday dogs must enter the Skilled Category, Veteran Division.

## JUNIOR HANDLER DIVISION

The Junior Handler division is open to any dog which is being handled by a handler who is 17 years of age or younger. Dogs in this division are given the allocated Junior Handler standard course time.

# **COMBINED POINTS**

At all levels, points from all divisions are combined for titling purposes, and there is no distinction between the divisions. So, a dog may earn some points from the Standard division and some from the Veterans/VH/JH division and all points will be combined for titles and awards.

# FOOD/TOYS IN POCKET

Food or a small noiseless toy may be carried into the ring in your pocket provided it is contained in a zip lock bag or small container such as a pill bottle. The container cannot be visible in the ring nor within 10 feet of the ring. You cannot indicate to your dog that you have this item on you i.e. patting your pocket. You are not allowed to remove the container until you are at least 10 feet outside the ring. All food and toys must be contained at the trial and none can be left lying about loose. This policy has been implemented to reduce the possibility of dogs fighting over loose food or toys, diminish dogs dragging their handlers back to their crates (or wherever they left their food), and to reduce the number of insects that gather around loose food.

# AWARD CELEBRATION BARS WILL BE AWARDED FOR NATCH, V-NATCH and Platinum NATCH.

One bar per dog at this trial. We can add multiple awards to the bar if more than one of these three awards are won at our trial.

# LODGING INFORMATION

## Camping & RV:

Dripping Springs Ranch Park RV slots are managed by DSRP and NOT the K9X Trial Committee, contact the site directly for reservations. There are showers in the building. Payment & reservations are made through the City of Dripping Springs. The reservation form can be found on this web page, as well as more information.

https://www.drippingspringsranchpark.com/home/pages/forms

## Area Hotels:

Sleep Inn 2720 E Hwy 290 (512)858-2400

Extended Stay America, Austin SW 5100 Hwy 290 W (512)892-4272

La Quinta 4424 S Mopac (512)899-3000

Motel 6, Austin Airport South 2707 Interregional Hwy S (512)444-5882

Red Roof Inn, Austin South 4701 South IH35 (512)448-0091

There are some dog friendly options on AirBNB

Consider renting an RV, get it delivered and stay on site through companies such as

RV Share or Outdoorsy

# **Location and Directions**

Dripping Springs Ranch Park 1042 Event Center Dr. Dripping Springs, TX 78620 The facility is located off Hwy 12, across from Dripping Springs Elementary. For more information visit: www.drippingspringsranchpark.com