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## 2004 Board Members



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 President; and [Karla Forte](#), Treasurer

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Open practice - all levels  
Sunday • 3-4:30pm  
Open practice - *novice*  
Sunday • 4:30-6pm  
Open practice - *advanced*  
*Practice Barn Info*

### Forest Grove

#### Van Dyke Farm Manager

Sue Woodson (503-640-0584)  
is the barn manager

# CAT Meetings

Here is the latest for Meeting Dates:

## Board Meetings:

April 14, OR City Izzy's- 7:30  
May 18, Garlic Onion in Wilsonville-7:30  
June 22, Location TBA-7:30

## General Meetings:

April 18, Buster's 7:00  
May 23, Delta Park Elmer's-7:00  
June 27, Clackamas Elmer's-7:00

As always, more information will be on the CAT website at [www.columbiaagility.org](http://www.columbiaagility.org)

# CAT News

Membership dues are due now and if not received by April 1st, your membership will lapse. Please send your information and money to:

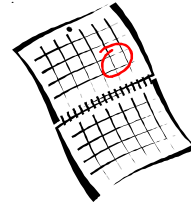
Dwight Cash  
14885 S W SUNRISE LANE  
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## **New Board Elected, Change in Membership Policy (1/21/04)**

At the 2004 general meeting held January 18, a new board of directors was elected. Congratulations to the new board members and our thanks for the hard work put in by the 2003 Board.

The membership also voted overwhelmingly to create the new Limited Membership category, of Associate Member. An Associate Member will have all the privileges of membership except they will not be able to vote, hold an office or receive any Club discounts. This category was created to help people remain involved with CAT, without attending a General Meeting. As our President, Matt, mentioned last night, Club members may move from one type of membership to another at their convenience or as their situation allows. The dues are the same for Associate Member, \$20 for an individual Associate Membership and \$35 for a household Associate Membership. The requirement to work at least one CAT event per year was not changed. A second and final Membership statement will be sent out, this week, for all those who have not paid their dues.

# 2004 Calendar of Events Mark Your Calendar!!!\*\*



## NADAC (North American Dog Agility Association)

**Mar. 26-28** Rogue Canine Agility Central Point, (Medford) OR  
Fri: 1 Touch N Go, 1 Weavers; Sat/Sun: 2 Regular, 1 Gamblers,  
1 Jumpers; Sat: 1 Tunnelers 2 rings (110 x 90 each) on packed dirt  
Judges: Gary Visintainer and Kelvin Gray  
Show Contact: Pat Mickey email: mo2@earthlink.net  
2804 Cordelia Way, Medford, OR 97501

**April 24-25** Extreme Agility Team Auburn, WA  
Sat/Sun: 2 Regular 1 Jumpers, 1 Gamblers each day Sat: Touch N Go  
Sun: Tunnelers 2 rings (90 x 100; 100 x 100) on packed dirt  
Judges: Pam Kay & Arlene Courtney  
Show Contact: Debbie Mason email: debbiewazzu@comcast.net  
17050 - 234th Way SE, Maple Valley, WA 98038

**April 30, May 1-2** Columbia Agility Team Vancouver WA  
Fri: 1 Tunnelers, 1 Touch N Go, 1 Weavers; Sa/Sun: 2 Regular,  
1 Gamblers, 1 Jumpers ea.day 3 rings (100 x 112 ea.) on packed dirt  
Judges: Fred Brattain (L. Vanderburg Supr.) and  
Michelle Ooms & Kelvin Gray  
Show Contact: Karla Forte email: jmforte@msn.com  
10908 NE 80th St., Vancouver, WA 98664

**May 15-16** Rainier Agility Team (RAT) Kent, WA  
2 Tunnelers, 2 Touch N Go, 2 Weavers each day 1 ring (70 x 130)  
Judge: Lori Vanderburg  
Show Contact: Jef Blake, 37028 44th Ave. S, Auburn, WA 98001  
email: jef@abam.com

**May 29-31** Megadogs Woodinville, WA.  
Outdoors on sand or grass (weather dependent); 4 regular, 3 jumpers, 3  
gamblers, 2 weavers, 2 tunnelers, and 2 touch & go offered. Judges Gro  
Aasgaard and Matt McCarter.  
Premium on web in Feb, <http://www.mega-dogs.com>;  
Contact Karen Hunter at [karen@mega-dogs.com](mailto:karen@mega-dogs.com)

**June 12, 2004** Willamette Agility Group (WAG) Turner, OR  
Sat: 2 Tunnelers, 2 Touch N Go, 2 Weavers 1 ring (80 x 108) on sand  
Judge: Doug Ricks (A. Courtney supvr.)  
Confirmed Show Contact: Traci Bruchok, 1050 Limelight Ave., NW  
Salem, OR 97304 email: adogcr8@juno.com

*There are more events, just no room to put them all. See NADAC's website or  
4 CAT's website. NADAC <http://www.nadac.com/>*

# CAT Seminar news

## ELISHA CALHOUN SEMINAR

May 8 & 9, 2004

Ridgefield, Washington

**Can't nail that weavepole entry? Dog like to start the course without you? Flying over those contact zones? Not sure where to put in those front crosses? How about just plain tired of those five fault runs? Elisha Calhoun, 5 time world team member, to the rescue! This seminar will be focusing on those "little" performance problems that keep you "Stuck in Open, Frustrated in Excellent A".**

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Elisha is a top national and international competitor, trainer and certified USDAA Judge. She and her Australian Shephard Suni are five time AKC World Team members earning a 2001 Team Gold Medal, 2003 Team Bronze Medal with an individual 5<sup>th</sup> place standing in 2003. A top ten finalist at both AKC and USDAA National Championships since 1998, Elisha and Suni placed 1<sup>st</sup> at the 2003 AKC Nationals, 2<sup>nd</sup> at the 1999 AKC and 1998 NADAC Nationals. Elisha owns and operates Waltzing Paws Agility and is currently the Director of It's a Dog's World in Sumner, Washington.

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- *Dogs must be currently competing in Open/Advance or higher.*
- *Twelve dog/handler teams will be determined by lottery if more than 12 teams submit registrations. CAT members in good standing will be given priority. Registration fee is \$160 for CAT members.*
- *An unlimited number of auditors are welcomed at \$25 per day for CAT members.*

**Registration info available online at [www.columbiaagility.org](http://www.columbiaagility.org) or contact:**

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Venita Barraque 503-819-9296    [vbarraque@leupold.com](mailto:vbarraque@leupold.com)

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June 21-24 [High Voltage Agility](#) presents Nancy Gyes. 2 days novice seminar, 2 days advanced.

July 3, 4, 5, 2004 CAT presents Susan Salo, more on page 16.

July 14, 15 [Agile Action Agility](#) presents Barb Davis in a seminar for advanced dog/handler teams. \$200 for a two-day working spot (limited to 10), unlimited auditors at \$40/day. Contact [Leslie Renaud](#)

# 2004 Calendar of Events

## AKC

**March 20 - 21** WA (Washington)

**Auburn, WA** AKC Trial

Boston Terrier Club of Western Washington

Argus Ranch Facility For Dogs

35612 212th Way SE

OPENS: 2/21/04 8am CLOSSES: 3/1/04 LIMIT: 600 Per Day

Acceptance Method: First Received

Contact: Christie Bowers, PO Box 320, South Prairie, WA 98385, (360) 897-9939

Email: [highpockets@juno.com](mailto:highpockets@juno.com)

**March 26 - 28** OR (Oregon)

**Central Point, OR** NADAC Trial

Rogue Canine Agility

Jackson Co. Expo

Penninger Rd.

Facility: Indoor ,Dirt ,Unknown,Food on Site,RV Parking,Showers,Water

OPENS: 2/9/04 LIMIT: Unknown Per Judge

Acceptance Method: Postmark Date

Classes: All Classes/All Levels

Judge(s): Kelvin Gray, Gary Visintainer

Move-Ups Accepted Day to Day

Contact: Pat Boydston, 2804 Cordelia Way, Medford, OR 97501

Email: [mickeymo2@earthlink.net](mailto:mickeymo2@earthlink.net)

Website: [roguecanineagility.com](http://roguecanineagility.com)

**April 3 - 4** WA (Washington)

**Sequim, WA** AKC Trial

Hurricane Ridge Kennel Club

Blake Family Property

110 S. Blake Road

Facility: Outdoor ,Grass ,Food on Site,RV Parking,Tent Camping

LIMIT: 500 Total

Acceptance Method: First Received

Classes: Standard,JWW,Preferred,Regular

Fees: \$18.00/\$10.00

Judge(s): Joan Simon & Suzi Bluford

Move-Ups Accepted Day to Day

Contact: [www.dogevents.com](http://www.dogevents.com) , Sharon Johnson, 240 Robinson Road, Port Angeles,

WA. 98362, (360) 681-5055

Email: [heelin@earthlink.net](mailto:heelin@earthlink.net) Alternative Mail: [go-dog@earthlink.net](mailto:go-dog@earthlink.net)

Website: [www.gointothedogs.us](http://www.gointothedogs.us)

# 2004 Calendar of Events

## AKC

April 10 - 11 WA (Washington)

**Moses Lake, WA AKC Trial**

Wenatche Kennel Club

Grants County Fairgrounds

Facility: Outdoor ,Grass ,Food on Site,Concessions,RV Hookups,RV

Parking,Tent Camping,Showers,Water

OPENS: 2/26/04 8am CLOSES: 3/24/04 6pm LIMIT: 300 Per Day

Acceptance Method: First Received

Classes: All Classes/All Levels

Fees: 20.00 first class 10.00 second class same dog same day

Move-Ups Accepted Day to Day

Contact: Christie Bowers, PO Box 320, South Prairie, Wa. 98385, 360-897-9939

Email: [highpockets@juno.com](mailto:highpockets@juno.com) Alternative Mail: [bbostons@earthlink.net](mailto:bbostons@earthlink.net)

Website: [www.bostonbarker.com](http://www.bostonbarker.com)

Additional Information:

Instant entry available at [www.dogeventsonline.com](http://www.dogeventsonline.com)

April 17 - 18 WA (Washington)

**Auburn, WA AKC Trial**

BOSTON TERRIER CLUB OF AMERICA

Argus Ranch

35612 212th Way

Facility: Indoor ,Dirt ,Indoor Baths,RV Hookups,RV Parking,Tent

Camping,Showers,Water

OPENS: 2/3/04 8am CLOSES: 4/3/04 6pm LIMIT: 600 Per Day

Acceptance Method: First Received

Classes: All Classes/All Levels - INTERNATIONAL JWW on Sat.

Fees: 18.00 FIRST CLASS 10.00 SECOND CLASS SAME DOG P/DAY 8.00

INTL. JWW

Judge(s): Annette Naril & Larry Brocket

Move-Ups Accepted Day to Day

Contact: Chrstie Bowers, PO Box 320, South Prairie, Wa. 98385, 360-897-9939

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Website: [www.bostonbarker.com](http://www.bostonbarker.com)

Additional Information:

online entries available at [www.dogeventsonline.com](http://www.dogeventsonline.com)

## AKC Nationals Report

Late news!!! As you know, I was among several fortunate folks from Oregon who qualified for the AKC national agility championships in December 2003 in Long Beach, California.

We represented Oregon as a team for the first time and were proud to do so. We had a good group with jack russells, shelties, toy fox terriers, papillons and border collies. Everyone did very well in representing Oregon and Columbia Agility Team. Cliff, Leslie, Lori, Judy, Hilary, Nancy, Daisy, Brittney and myself had a blast. Jim and Carol Hibbard, Rita Farnham and Cheryl Huffman were there to support us and cheer us on. I think we all had our moments of glory and we all shared the spotlight at one time or another. Three of us made the finals, Daisy representing the 20" division with Fly, Brittney in the 24" division with Kate and myself with Emma in the 8" division. Brittney placed 5th and I placed 2nd. It was an incredible experience speaking for myself, and probably for most of the competitors, and to come home with the 2nd place was just icing on the cake. I would like to thank everyone who was there for all his or her good wishes and congratulations. And also to everyone here at home who cheered us on and welcomed us home with lots of smiles and good thoughts.

Thanks, Linda Friday

*Linda Friday and Emma with their prizes from AKC Nationals*



# Van Dyke Barn Calendar

Ok I've finished the Van Dyke scheduling calendar. Please take a look at it at: [http://my.calendars.net/van\\_dyke\\_farm](http://my.calendars.net/van_dyke_farm). For those who are already listed on the calendar & those who want to use it please email me directly so I can send you the password.

Please read though the calendar info and how to update & change the information on the calendar. Tell me what you think and what you would like improved. Right now the calendar is set to run the currently signed up schedules for a year, but I will probably change that to every three months. Then folks will have to update their information every three months. Right now the regularly scheduled users are set up as periodic events but I will change that to individual discrete appointment so folks can add & delete as their schedule changes. If we have it set up to be the same for a year then users would have to change a lot of the calendar if their schedule changes midway.

Hope this isn't too confusing, but if you read the calendar information it should be quite easy. And I will gladly do my best to explain it further if needed.

Hope you like it!

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## 2004 Calendar of Events CAT Fun Matches

Mar 20 **Columbia Agility Team** Fun match, [Van Dyke farm](#), Forest Grove. 10 AM novice dogs, 12PM, Open, Elite etc. \$3/run, 2 runs for \$5.

April 17 Fun Match — Barb White's arena, 2743 Ridgeway Dr.SE, Turner

## Stacy Peardot's Seminar Review

**I**n February, Stacy Peardot held a seminar at All American Agility in Wilsonville, Oregon. The first two days were for Master levels dogs or handlers, the dogs were chosen for their high drive, no slacker handlers in this series.

Since I am a seminar junkie, I signed up the minute I heard Stacy was coming to town. I love working at



*picture from <http://www.cspotwin.com>*

seminars. The subject or instructor is not the reason I go, just the icing on the cake.

Rather, I run in seminars because it steadies my shelties. It's much like trial situations. Wait, run, wait, and run while the handler is under some stress and pressure, and there is a crowd, and they often clap. When I started agility with Leo, years ago, I discovered that seminars were great for us. Training the skill sets at home was fun, practicing them in public was even better.

Over the years I have run dogs with Barb Davis, Nancy Gyes, Jim Basic, Gary White, and the nice lady from Texas Jane Simmons Moake. It's been interesting to note that the same handlers from the Willamette valley sign up for every seminar; these are also the handlers that improve year after year. (Amazingly I also have improved, God Bless Patty Hatfied and Stuart Mah.)

So I sign up Kells, aka Miss fluff brain party girl up for this experience. In the last several months she has become much more steady, it must be age, she's four now. Since having puppies, her body shape has changed, and we

## From the Training Director

Recently, I have had several people approach me wanting to know how much the instructors get paid to teach.

The instructors are volunteers, just as the board of directors, webmaster, and editor to the catalyst, or anyone else that helps in our club.

As instructors, we get a certificate for our services to use for seminars to continue our knowledge on agility training/ dog behaviors.

Our club is a non-profit organization and professional training is not allowed in our barns except by a person that we have invited in to give a seminar. Being paid would make us professionals, and would open a new can of worms for the club (taxes, workman's comp, medical insurance to name a few).

I know that several of the instructors (including myself) have offered students private time to be tutored. When we do, we charge the amount that would be expected for any member of our club to pay for open barn time. That charge goes directly back into the club, not into the trainer's pocket.

There is nothing wrong with helping out a friend during yours or their barn time, but money is not to pass hands as that would be considered a professional charge and you could loose your club membership

Our instructors need to be commended for their great job teaching. They bring an incredible amount of revenue into this club. And I would say at least 30% of our members are here because of the "bug" they got from an agility class we taught.

Also thank your other hard working volunteers. Dick Watson puts numerous hours on the website and Trish Greenstreet does a wonderful job on the CATalyst. I'm sure neither one gets a pat on the back very often for their efforts.

Thanks to all the rest of our volunteers that work in the back ground without being noticed!

Kitty Ware  
Training Director

# Stacy Peardot's Seminar Review - continued

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both have needed to adjust to the new, more barrel chested jumping style she has adopted.

Now seminars are fun and I always learn something, thanks to Gary White I now can do front crosses in public! The shelties and I did 13 front crosses at the Rose City classic over three days, I only tripped over the dog walk on the fourteenth, and the judge gave me style points for my rolling recovery.

Seminars are fun, but some instructors really are better than others, some are a tad bit more serious than is necessary, and stingy with their positive reinforcement for the struggling human handlers.

This seminar was different; Stacy was in top form for the dogs and the people. What a great instructor. While many instructors get jaded, and are bored by seminars, she has a blast, and makes sure every one has a blast with her. Her training style is loud, brash, funny and filled with accurate statements that does not making the handler feel like a total ditz.

“ FOR GODS SAKE, TELL THE DOG WHERE YOU ARE GOING, DON'T KEEP IT A SECRET. JUST LOWER YOUR ARM.”

“JUSTINE ARE YOU GOING TO STAND THERE, WAVE YOUR ARMS, YELL MERRILY AND JUST WATCH KELLS BOUNCE OFF COURSE... OR ARE YOU GOING TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT?”

Spectator verbal participation picked up all weekend, certain handlers were harassed from the sidelines to reinforce their dogs with cookies. We cheered Kitty and Quincy's front crosses, and laughed at Hillary's attempts to try a different cross in a tight spot and Jim learns the \$500 move.

**This was the most fun I had since I went to the first Power paws camp.** (An experience I recommend highly.) And I think agility should be fun for me as well as the dog.

Working with a high caliber/competitive trainer can be tricky; I have noticed that the great handlers have incredible reflexes, and fantastic body propeception. That means that they always know whet their body is doing. It's an inborn spatial skill, like being able to read maps.

When a trainer blessed with those skills works with the rest of us, they get frustrated very quickly with handlers that lack body/spatial skills, or less than perfect bodies. Its a rare teacher like Stacy that does not demand that

## Stacy Peardot's Seminar Review - continued

the handlers do it exactly her way, but gives parameters for the client to meet, that they are likely to be able to do.

What brought this to mind was comparing this seminar to the last seminar I attended with a national name handler. After two days most of the handlers were frustrated by his attempts to make us do an action exactly his way, despite the fact most of us had legs a lot shorter than his. Now I really improved, but the instructor stopped thinking I had improved, because it was not exactly his way.

What else I did I like about this seminar? The courses we worked were simply great; they tested, or proofed many hard agility skills. My dog skill I realize is training, not handling, and definitely not designing courses. So running a hard, interesting course, (it was four sections that worked perfectly together) was a joy, I learn exactly what Kells can do, and where the gaps in our knowledge is. This is truly worth the price of admission.

The course used a lot of jumps, which made me again, realize that my training situation needs a lot more jumps, the only way to learn speed over jumps, is to have enough jumps and to build a fast course with open and tight sections. I have been really lucky in my jumper runs that the shelties forgive me with out a lot of work on that skill.

The Hibbard's hospitality was superb. They have a wonderful facility in Wilsonville, and the Jim kept the hot chocolate and coffee pot filled. And ran Baron at the same time.

Stacy runs a camp in Colorado, there are three sessions this year. For more information, visit her website. <http://www.cspotwin.com>

It was verbally decided that Stacy will return next year, same weekend, and I suggest you call the Hibbard's, and sign up now!

***JUSTINE MERRILL***

# General Meeting Minutes

January 18, 2004

Meeting called to order at 7:13PM at Clackamas Denny's

## **New business:**

There will be a make-up trial for the Northwest Cup on April 3-4, 2004 at Clark County Fairgrounds. Some checks were given back and all others will be destroyed. Tara Choate has graciously volunteered to be secretary again, a revised premium will be on the website in a few weeks, people will need to fill in new entries/volunteer forms and send new checks. Thank you Jim Hibbard for all your efforts to make this happen.

Voting ballots were distributed and new board members were voted in:

President: Matt Sachs Members at Large:  
Vice President: Wendy Ware Barbara Stone  
Secretary: Lisa Klein Mary Crittendon  
Treasurer: Karla Forte Paige Pierce  
Training Director: Kitty Ware Janice Tsuchida

Thank you to the previous board members who are no longer on the board:  
Dick Watson, Susan Goble, Dan Butcher and Tammy Moody.

The general membership at the meeting unanimously voted for the Limited Membership category of Associate Member. This allows people to have all the same privileges of membership except they will not be able to vote, hold an office or receive a club discount. People may move from one membership to another at their convenience or as the situation allows. The dues remain the same, \$20 for an individual or \$35 for a household associate membership.

Dwight Cash will send out second and final notices for people to pay dues.

Bonnie Johnson brought up the suggestion for CAT instructors to be better compensated for their time.

Electronic timers are being considered for purchase in the summer. There are new timers that are coming out that will be compatible with our equipment.

## **Unfinished business:**

# General Meeting Minutes

Seminar Committee report from Janice Tsuchida:  
Stuart and Patty Mah had to cancel for August, Susan Salo is scheduled for a jumping seminar July 3-5 2004, Kathy Keats is scheduled for performance analysis seminar Feb 5 &6, 2005. People being considered for future seminars are Elisha Calhoun, Rhonda Carter and Kathy Leggett.

CAT classes at the CAT barns are currently full.

Kitty Ware would like to retire as the club historian, anyone interested in taking this position should contact Kitty.

The letter to NADAC regarding equipment changes has not been sent yet.

## **Trial Updates:**

NADAC Feb. 28-29 - All is in order, USDAA April 3-4 - make-up NW Cup, a revised committee is being formed, NADAC April 30, May1-2 - Everything is coming together, USDAA July 16-18 - Super-regional will be at Vancouver Lake which is a new location for us. They are allowing us to camp which they don't normally do for people. Hilary Hankins (chairperson) asks we pick up after ourselves and our dogs so we are invited back, NADAC Columbia Cup needs a chairperson and a committee.

Meeting adjourned at 8:23

Next Board Meeting Feb 10 at Oregon City Izzy's  
Next General Meeting Feb 22 at Elmers Delta Park

Respectfully submitted,

Lisa Klein

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## **Cool new website!!!**

I found a new (to me) website that is very, very cool it allows you to register and pay for events online  
check this out at:

<http://www.dogeventsonline.com>

# CAT Seminar news

## ***SUSAN SALO JUMPING WORKSHOP***

July 3, 4, 5, 2004

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**Susan Salo** is relatively new to dog agility but brings a unique perspective and knowledge of the mechanical aspects of jumping to the sport. Not to be confused with a handling seminar, Susan's workshop focuses entirely on the dog to build better jumping skills and instill more confidence and speed. You'll learn what your dog does or does not know about the job of jumping and how to correct jumping problems. Susan's jumping drills teach proper muscle memory and balance and will keep your canine athletes in top shape throughout their careers.

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**Susan has over 35 years of experience in the world of horse show jumping. She has ridden with some of the nation's most noted horsemen including Gene Lewis, George Morris and the late Jimmy Williams. She's competed throughout the US and Canada and spent 16 years on the east coast as a professional helping clients achieve their goals. Susan currently is located in Northern California and competes in agility with her four year old Jack Russell Terrier Simon.**

- *All dogs must be old enough to have closed growth plates. 12 months for small breeds, 18 months for large breeds or a letter from your vet verifying your dog's growth plates have closed.*
- *18 dogs will be selected by lottery if more than 18 register. CAT members in good standing will be given priority. Registration fee for the three day workshop is \$145 for CAT members.*
- *An unlimited number of auditors are welcomed at \$20 per day for CAT members.*

**Registration info available online at [www.columbiaagility.org](http://www.columbiaagility.org) or contact:**

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Janice Tsuchida	503-697-4147	<a href="mailto:ga42@aol.com">ga42@aol.com</a>

## Teacup Agility

Are you a small dog competing in a big dog's world? You don't have to any longer!!!

Teacup Agility is for dogs 17" or under, the obstacles are smaller and so are the courses.

Several events are scheduled in the Northwest this year and the first annual "Petit Prix Tournament will be on October 16 & 17, 2004 in Marysville, Ohio. All dogs that have competed in TDAA will qualify to go.

For more information go to the TDAA's website at [www.dogagility.org](http://www.dogagility.org)

For the biggest dog and agility related list of websites check out the "links" there are over 100 links for those who have the time and will to surf the agility web.

See page 18 for events in the Northwest.

*Trish Greenstreet*

Well some small dogs clearly do not need smaller obstacles...



# 2004 Calendar of Events

## Tea Cup Agility Association

### TDAA

#### **April 17**                      **WA (Washington)**

**Yakima, WA**    TDAA Fun Match  
Little Wolf Academy  
142 South Mitchel Drive  
Facility: Outdoor ,Grass ,Water  
OPENS: 4/17/04 CLOSES: 4/17/04 LIMIT: UNLIMITED  
Classes: All Classes/All Levels  
Judge(s): Glenda Phillips  
Contact: Louise Hyzer, PO Box 916, Wapato, WA 98951, 509-877-4515  
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#### **April 24**                      **OR (Oregon)**

**Monmouth, OR**    \* TDAA Trial  
Agility A Go Go  
Paulus Arena  
1830 S. Pacific Hwy  
Facility: Indoor ,Dirt ,Ample Shade,RV Parking  
LIMIT: UNLIMITED  
Classes: Standard - Games  
Fees: TBA  
Judge(s): Tara Choate, Molly Petram  
Move-Ups Accepted Day to Day  
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#### **May 22**                      **OR (Oregon)**

**Monmouth, OR**    \* TDAA Trial  
Agility A Go Go  
Paulus Arena  
1830 S. Pacific Hwy (99W)  
Facility: Indoor ,Dirt ,Ample Shade,RV Parking  
LIMIT: UNLIMITED  
Classes: Standard - Game  
Fees: TBA  
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## 2004 Calendar of Events

## CATalyst Information

### USDAA

**April 3, 4** *Columbia Agility Team*  
presents the **rescheduled**  
2004 Northwest Cup USDAA  
Agility Test and local Grand  
Prix Qualifier, Clark County  
Fairgrounds, Vancouver Wash  
ington. For the premium see  
[www.columbiaagility.org](http://www.columbiaagility.org)

**April 10-11**  
Elma, WA hosted by  
Rainier Agility Team at  
Grays Harbor County  
Fairgrounds

**July 17-18** *Columbia Agility Team*  
USDAA Agility Test and (we  
hope but we don't know for sure  
yet) Regional Grand Prix Quali-  
fier; Steeple Chase and Dog  
Agility Masters (DAM)  
Tournament, Vancouver Lake  
Park, Vancouver, WA

**August 13, 15** WAG USDAA  
Agility Test, Brownsville,  
OR (tentative)

**Oct 9-10** RAT USDAA  
Trial, Auburn, WA

**Oct 16-17** **Back to the original date** *Columbia Agility Team*  
**Black CAT** USDAA Agility Test and Halloween Costume Fun Run,  
Clark County Fairgrounds, Vancouver, WA

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