



1-TDC UKI



North American Invitational

March 29th – April 1st 2024

**Canlan Sports Lake Barrington,
28156 W Northpointe Pkwy,
Barrington, IL 60010**

Thank you for coming to the inaugural 1-TDC UKI North American Invitational. Our goal is for you to have an amazing 4 days competing at this event. The following information should help you with most questions you may have. If you have questions please email us at 1-TDC@ukagilityinternational.com or check out the information table at the event.

Check-in 2pm to 5.30pm Thursday

Check in to pick up your event T-shirt (if you ordered one), crating location, welcome bag, & RV passes or notify us of any withdrawals or bitches in season. If you are unable to make this time you may collect at a later time. Times will be notified at the event but may not be the next morning.

Information Table

There will be an information table at the event which is your first port of call for any questions you may have. The wonderful people manning this table are there to assist you and if required, contact the necessary people to get the answer you need. Remember, these awesome folks are volunteers so please be courteous which will make it much easier to help you. Please do not interrupt the results office directly.

Event Briefing

This will take place indoors at 6.00pm on Thursday evening, if you'd like to attend. Otherwise, it will be available to view on Facebook as a Live video on the 1-TDC UKI North American Invitational Facebook page at this time, providing we have sufficient internet connection. We will also try to publish the briefing notes after the briefing on the event FB page.

App

We will be using the GAC Systems app to provide messages and updates direct to your phone to competitors throughout the event. You will also be able to access Live results and 1-TDC UKI NAI documents on the app. As this is a new event you will need to update your app. Please update or download it through Google Play or the App store. The link to download from Google Play is:

<https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.gacsystems.mobileapplication&fbclid=IwAR1cKCU0beEYsfsJL3edDGHB6Cmn5Y284umMpuptaqDx3ANoQ9wo-me9mM>

and the link to download from the App store is: <https://apps.apple.com/us/app/gac-systems/id1639446944>

When you have downloaded/updated please ensure you go to settings to switch on notifications for this event. Some Android users trying to update may get an update failed message. In this case, please uninstall and reinstall the app.

Rings Overview & Results

Please save this page on your device to keep updated with the running of the rings. <https://results.gacsystems.com>
Live results are available from this link as well.

Agility Gate

Course maps and run orders will be available through the Agility Gate app. Please be sure to download the "Agility Gate" app prior to the event. The Agility Gate code for the event is "2024."

Bitches In Season

You must notify us immediately upon finding out that your dog is in season. Please notify us at check in or at the information table once the event has started. As a reminder, bitches in season WILL run in their place within the running order, rather than at the end. Your dog must start on the BIS mat available at each ring and it is your responsibility to make sure the ring is ready with the mat for your run. This will be noted on the running order on the day. Bitch in season pants may NOT be worn in the competition rings.

Schedule of the events:

Please print out a copy of the timetable, or it can be found on the 1-TDC UKI North American Invitational link at the UKI web page. Keep it accessible so you understand where you are supposed to be and when. Any changes to this schedule will be published on our announcement link on the GAC app and the event Facebook page.

The computer monitors at each ring – **The white boards and the screens at the rings are your definitive source of information** regarding the schedule. As the other methods require internet and wireless, those sources are only a courtesy. The final port of call is to check the monitors & white boards for updates. Missing your run for not staying up to date by checking these at the rings will not be an excuse.

Please understand though, it is your responsibility to know where you should be. We are running a very tight schedule. We do not want you to miss your walk thru and unfortunately due to time constraints we will not be able to make exceptions or extend walk thru times. We will do our best to keep you apprised of all announcements and any schedule changes.

Running Order Rules

Please refer to the premium for these rules for multiple dog gap rules.

Course Maps

Please refer to the timetables for release of the course maps time. There will be no printed course maps. Course maps will be published on the GAC App, the 1-TDC UKI North American Invitational Documents page of the UKI Website, the 1-TDC UKI North American Invitational Facebook page, and Agility Gate.

When the same class occurs in 2 or more rings, the courses may not be identical on the ground. Each course may be adjusted according to the interpretation of the course map by the judge in that specific ring. Please note each ring is a completely separate competition due to the height splits.

Minimum and maximum distances (dogs path according to CRCD) are 18' minimum – 35' maximum to tunnels, 18' minimum – 30' maximum to all other equipment, Maximum 36' from or to backside of jump. The course reviewer has the ability to allow for slight deviations or exceptions to be made if it is in the best interest to the course or skill test integrity, always with safety in mind.

Checking in for your runs

This event is strict running order. You may not move your run up or down. Handlers with multiple dogs running close together, please refer to the procedure in the Premium which was published and acknowledged when you entered this event. The rings will have areas designated for temporary crating. Please make arrangements to use these for the short term if you have multiple dogs in the rings. As space is limited, crates may not be left here full time.

Entering the ring and Checking your score leaving the ring

- Upon entering the ring for all of your runs, please announce your name and dog name to the scribe table so they can confirm who they are scoring.
- Please note that if you are eliminated, a 70 second maximum course time will be in effect.
- Upon leaving the ring please check your score on the monitor immediately after your run to be sure all looks correct. If you do not check the monitor by the time your result moves off the screen, the result will stand.

If you find any clerical errors, please notify the Ring Manager immediately who will ask the scoring and if needed may also discuss with the judge. Competitors are not allowed to approach judges themselves. There is absolutely no video review allowed by competitors for any judge's call.

Awards & Podiums

We want to celebrate your results in the 1-TDC UKI North American Invitational events! The timeline shows all the scheduled times for the podiums and awards. Please attend the podium presentations to not only support your fellow competitor but to show support and respect to the judges and sponsors. The Prizegiving for Overall Biathlon will take place on Sunday immediately after the day classes have finished and while the evening courses are being built. This will be for 1st – 3rd in each height. The Prizegivings for Gamblers and Pentathlon will be on Monday immediately after Challenger has finished. This will be for 1st – 3rd in each height. If you are placed 1st in the Challenger event you may collect your ribbon from the information table once the results have been announced as published online. As already mentioned, we are running a very tight schedule. Prizegivings will go ahead as scheduled so please be there to attend.

Rolling Podium Procedure

The Blue Ribbon Final on Monday will follow this procedure. Once you have finished your run - if your run has moved you into the top 3 places of the Final, you will be directed to this podium place. Not only do you have prime viewing of the other runs but you will get to remain in this spot as long as no one else has knocked you off that placing. At the completion of the class height, the top 3 already be in their podium spots, will immediately be awarded their prizes. Podium pictures will be taken at this time as well.

Progression into The 1-TDC UKI North American Invitational Blue Ribbon Final

- A top 3 placement in the Overall results of the Games, Biathlon or Pentathlon automatically qualifies for the final.
- For the remaining places, the top 30% of the event entry or top 10 in each height, whichever is higher, will progress to the final. These places will be calculated from the three events using cumulative points, a points system will be used where first place equals 1 point, second place equals 2 points, third place equals 3 points, scoring down to last place.
- A further place will be available to the winner of each height in the Challenger round. (Eliminations will not progress)

The maximum number of dogs from each height in the final will be as follows: (these numbers will not now change, regardless of any changes in entry numbers e.g. withdrawals)

4s	11 dogs
8	13 dogs
8s	11 dogs
12	15 dogs
12s	11 dogs
16	24 dogs
16s	16 dogs
20	55 dogs
20s	11 dogs
22	19 dogs
24	30 dogs

Video

4 Legged Flix will be videoing all runs, bring your flash drives for immediate transfer of your runs!

Equipment

The equipment for the Open is provided by Run it! Ultimate Dog Agility Equipment. All the **equipment used at the event will be available for purchase!!! Please contact Liana for details – islandlife101@hotmail.com**

Spread jump used at the event: Please note the ascending spread jump will be made using 2 jumps. Select heights have no spread jumps.

Crating

Crating details are listed in the premium and requests can be made through email to Tara Baggerman at tara.ukiusopen@gmail.com until Friday March 1st. Late requests may be accepted for an additional fee (\$125) if there is space.

You must provide waterproof tarps/mats to put under your crate. Anyone found not complying with this requirement will have their crates removed from the area with no refund. You are also welcome to crate from your car for free. There is no free crating inside the arena. You will be able to set up crates from 4pm thru 6pm on Thursday.

Parking

Please be aware that with the number of competitors, parking will be tight so we ask you to be mindful of this and be prepared to park relatively close to one another. There is a parking lot around the Canlan Sports building, together with side streets adjacent to the property. Please don't park in RV parking areas or unloading zones. Please make every effort to park on Canlan Sports property. There will be limited access to overflow parking across the street (day dependent – Friday and Monday are more limited than Saturday and Sunday) at the following businesses: The FattFro Zone/Battle House Laser Tag and Lake Barrington Professional Center.

RV's

ALL RV Spots have been assigned. You will have already been given your assigned spot and must only park in this spot. Please make sure you review the information about your spot. For any problems or issues please reach out to our RV manager Keith Landers at ukiusopenrv@gmail.com or 678-427-6180

Measuring

There will be no measuring at this event.

Volunteers

In keeping with the UKI motto of Agility by competitors, we ask everyone to pitch in and help for a few classes this weekend. There are 5 groups so every group will have at least a rotation off and we'd appreciate your help at this time. Thank you very much to all those who volunteered to help during registration. If you have not yet volunteered, we'd be grateful if you would contact Katie ahead of time at Katie.ukiusopen@gmail.com and she will add you to the volunteer schedule. You can also register at the following link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F4BA9AB2AA4FD0-44316499-1tdc>

Otherwise we'll have ring sign ups on the day. For helping you will receive both tickets for our amazing daily "Volunteer **Giveaway**" and "**I-TDC North American Invitational Worker Bucks**" that you can use at any of the vendors including the facility food vendor. In order to help reduce the use of single-use plastics, all helpers will also be given a reusable water bottle that can be filled up with the water dispenser at the helper's snacks area. There will be labels & markers so you can mark your water bottle so please only take one.

Build Crew Party

We are excited to be bringing the Build Crew Parties to the first ever 1-TDC UKI North American Invitational! For the Build Crew, this event will feature BETTER prizes, BETTER snacks and beverages, BETTER scavenger hunt.... FEWER course builds (nothing at crack 'o dawn) and ZERO dirt! Hooray!

The Course Build Party helps the event run smoothly by setting the beautiful courses on the set up day as well as during/after each day's events. By volunteering to join the Party, you'll be first to get into the ring and see what the courses are like, while helping us build. I think our current record at the US Open is 20 minutes to build 4 courses. Let's top that at the Invitational!

All members of the Build Crew will be given a build party with snacks and drinks and prize drawings - and yes, the world famous UKI PUDDING SHOTS!

You can volunteer as much as you like, or step in when you can - we appreciate all of your help! Feel free to volunteer your 'other half' as well! Partners, family members, and travel companions are more than welcome. We promise they will have a blast!

Local competitors/enthusiasts who aren't entered are invited to join us as well - and there will be special prizes for workers who are not entered!

The Grand Prizes will include * FREE Full RV Spots at USO or WCO! * Free At-Home Trial Entries * 50% Discount on Judges Certification Course and MORE!

The fun begins on Wednesday and Thursday (setup days, times TBD) and goes through Monday! According to the schedule, it looks like the Fri-Sun builds will be midafternoon at about 4:15pm then early evening (8:30pm at the latest). Monday will likely have a mid-morning build followed by end of day tear down.

Fill out the form below for more info, to receive updates, and to join the fun! Click here for more info:

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfYkCpFey-4qMwh_BsXxe_v190sJ_QoGicWCrzyO16SYbAzFw/viewform

Questions? Contact Tracy Sklenar at agilitydals@yahoo.com

Sportsmanship – we hate to remind competitors of this but....

Please remember to keep a level head and show good sportsmanship at all times. If you are not sure what this means, please remind yourself by reading the Rules of Conduct under the Notice to Competitors Section in the premium. In a nutshell - respect your dog, respect your fellow competitor, respect the judges, all helpers and the organizers. So if something isn't going your way...take a deep breath, smile, and remind yourself how lucky you are to play this sport with your dogs.

As a reminder: All Judges' decisions are final. Absolutely no video review or video challenge may be requested by a competitor. If you have a question regarding your score or your run, you may NOT approach the judge, please direct all questions to the Ring Manager who will, if necessary, approach the judge.

Directions

Click on this link, then click on the blue directions button and enter your starting destination.

[Directions to Canlan Sports](#)

Please show your appreciation to our sponsor 1-TDC by visiting their web page and their vendor stand.

