

UKI West Coast Open 2024

Sept 19th – 22nd, 2024
Paso Robles Horse Park
Paso Robles. CA



Thank you for coming to the West Coast Open. Our goal is for you to have a great 4 days competing at this event. The following information should help you with most questions you may have. If you have any questions not answered below, please email us at ivette@ukagilityinternational.com or check out the information table at the event.

Rules

The West Coast Open will be run under Edition 10 of the UKI rule book which is published on the UKI web page. Event and class specific rules are as published in the premium.

Check In 2pm to 4pm Wednesday

Check in to pick up your event T-shirt (full entries or purchases only), crating location & welcome bag between 2pm and 4pm on Wednesday near the restrooms and the offices.

Measuring

- ONLY THOSE WHO HAVE NO MEASUREMENTS FROM ANY OTHER VENUE
- If your dog has no measurements from any other venue, you will need to be measured if you are jumping 20, 16, 12 or 8 inches. **22 and 24 inch dogs do not need measuring.**
- If you do not yet have a permanent UKI measure and you have a height card with <u>an actual measure</u> on it from another organization please email <u>ukiusopen.info@gmail.com</u> with a scan or picture before Sept 15. You can also show your card to be recorded at check in.
- Measuring will begin at 2.00pm on Wed and will end promptly at 4pm.

Information Table

There will be an information table near the office, which is your first port of call for any questions you may have. They will contact the necessary people to assist you or get the answer you need. Please refrain from interrupting the results office directly.

West Coast Open Facebook page

The only official UKI West Open Facebook page is here:

https://www.facebook.com/groups/3045062432378728

We never send friend requests from our official event groups and so if you receive one it will be a scam. If you have accepted a friend request or joined any other groups please leave and report as once people see their friends are in the group/friends with the person, they are more likely to join and it starts to look like a legitimate group due to the number of people who have joined/accepted the friend request.

Event Briefing

This will take place at the Finals Ring at 6pm on Wednesday evening if you'd like to attend. Otherwise, it will be available to view on Facebook as a Live video on the UKI West Coast Open Facebook page at this time, providing we have sufficient internet connection.

App

We will be using the GAC app again this year to provide messages and up-to-date information directly to your phone both before and during the event. You will also be able to access Live results and event documents on the app. The last app update was carried out just before the 1-TDC Invitational in March this year so if you did not update it then you will need to do this now. 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/search?q=gac%20systems&c=apps&hl=en GB&gl=US

The link to download from the App store is: https://apps.apple.com/us/app/gac-systems/id1639446944
When you have downloaded/updated the app please ensure you go into settings on the app to switch on notifications for UKI West Coast Open as the update may switch these off.

Some Android users trying to update may get an update failed message. In this case, please uninstall and reinstall the app. (if your update was successful there will be an event called North American Invitational when you go into settings. You do not need to select this event, this is just for information)

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 if your bitch comes into season 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 provided by show management 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. No BIS pants are allowed.

Schedule of the event

Please print out a copy of the timetable, or it can be found on the West Coast Open link on 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 the WCO Facebook page, on the app and on the screens and whiteboards at the rings.

The screens and whiteboards 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 screens/whiteboards for updates. Missing your run for not staying up to date by checking the screens/whiteboards will not be an excuse.

Please understand it is your responsibility to know where you should be. We are running a very tight schedule so we can be sure everyone gets their runs in before dark. 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 West Coast Open Documents page of the UKI Website, the West Coast Open UKI Facebook page, and Agility Gate.

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 <u>announce your name and dog name to the scribe</u> 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 team 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 at the West Coast Open events! The schedule 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. If you have placed $1^{st} - 3^{rd}$ in the combined scores, except for Winner Takes All (1^{st} place only), please have you and your dog ready to attend based on the schedule.

Rolling Podium Procedure

The Barking Dog Images Speedstakes Final, the Golden Gate Dog Sports Bonus Steeplechase (if in only 1 ring) and the 1-TDC UKI Stakes final all follow this procedure. Once you have finished your run – if you are in the top 3 places, 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 will already be in their podium spots and will immediately be awarded their prizes. Podium pictures will be taken at this time as well.

Progression info to the next rounds

The below summarizes progression onto the next rounds within the classes, these may vary from the premium. Please be sure you understand all the other general class rules. These can be found in the premium. These figures are based on initial entries and will not change.

GAMES CHALLENGE – 30% or top 6, whichever is higher, plus guaranteed runs, in each jump height from the Snooker will progress onto the Gamblers round. Eliminations will not move forward

UKI STAKES– Top 15% or top 6, whichever is higher, plus byes, in each jump height from the Jumping will progress onto the Agility. Eliminations will not move forward (unless they already have a Bye to the Final).

SPEEDSTAKES CHALLENGE - Top 25% or top 6, whichever is higher, plus byes, in each jump height from the Semi Final will progress onto the Final. Eliminations will not move forward (unless they already have a Bye to the Final).

WEST COAST MASTERS – All run in both non-seeded classes.

BONUS STEEPLECHASE – Non-seeded class available if the dog ran in UKI Stakes Jumping and at least one of the first four rounds of Pentathlon and did not progress through to either SUNDAY finals (UKI Stakes finals and Pentathlon Steeplechase). If in one of these runs, this class is not available. If eligible, you will automatically be placed in this class.

PENTATHLON CHALLENGE – Top 30% or top 6, whichever is higher, plus guaranteed runs, in each jump height from the first 4 rounds will progress onto the Final.

UKI reserves the right to rule on anything at the event not clarified in the rules

Video and Live Stream

4 Legged Flix will be videoing all runs, bring your flash drives for immediate transfer of your runs! They are the only provider of live stream for the event so any other sites you see advertised will be a scam. Please let your friends and family know if they are planning to watch you.

Equipment

The equipment for the West Coast Open is provided by Run it! Ultimate Dog Agility Equipment. All the equipment used at the West Coast Open will be available for purchase!!! Please contact Liana for details – islandlife101@hotmail.com The spread jump used at the Open: Please note the ascending spread jump will be made using 2 jumps. Select heights have no spread jumps.

Crating

Crating options are listed in the Premium. If you have not made a crating selection yet, crating can still be requested until September 1st. After this and if there is still crating available there will be an increase of \$20 on fees. Payable to Half Moon Bay Dog Sports by cash or check. You are also welcome to crate from your car for free. Please email Katrina to reserve your stall in advance: maddiemalcolm@gmail.com

Parking

There is ample parking available for free in parking lot A and parking lot B. There are 50 parking spaces in front of the barns in the crating area as well. **This parking will be first come, first serve.** Once this area is full you will need to park in parking lot A or B. Day parking for RV's will use parking lot A or B.

RV's

Reservations should have been made directly with ukiusopenrv@gmail.com — You will have already been given your assigned site and must only park in this site. If you have not received our email this is because it went to your spam. Please be sure you have this information before the event.

Practice Ring

There will be a practice ring starting Thursday morning until Sunday afternoon (exact times TBA). The cost is \$50 per person for the entire event. See Ivette White at West Coast Open check in area to register and pay. Maximum of 1 minute per station if others are waiting to practice. Equipment in the practice ring is the same used in all the rings and special thanks to **RUN IT! ULTIMATE DOG AGILITY EQUIPMENT** for providing the equipment. Those who participate will be provided a special bracelet to gain entrance to the practice ring. PLEASE BE AWARE - Absolutely NO MOVING of equipment in the practice rings is allowed. Anyone found

to have moved equipment WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THE EVENT, with all results void! Please don't chance it! Equipment layout will be moved by UKI management at least once during the 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 one rotation off and we'd appreciate your help while your rotation is off. 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. Otherwise we'll have ring sign ups on the day. For helping you will receive raffle tickets for our amazing daily **Volunteer Raffle** and **Worker Bucks** which can be used with event vendors and the food truck. In order to help reduce the use of single use plastics, all helpers will also be given a reusable West Coast Open 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. Thank you to HALF MOON BAY DOG SPORTS for sponsoring the bottles.

Join The Build Party Crew!

We are getting really excited for this year's event and looking forward to seeing you! The event promises to be amazing with 4 rings and a Finals ring of awesome courses! We are reaching out to the agility community because we need your help to run things smoothly and we are going to make it a party for you. Join the Build Crew Teams and join the party. Here is how it will work:

Please volunteer to join the Build Crew - meet at the rings at the end of the day to help get the courses ready for the next day. You'll be split up into teams for each ring or set of rings, depending on entry size and number of volunteers. All members of the Build Crew will be given a build party at each course build, with snacks and drinks! Feel free to volunteer your 'other half' as well.

PRIZES? Did someone say PRIZES? Yes! By volunteering, you will receive worker raffle tickets for our awesome raffle baskets. You will also be eligible for the grand prize:

** Your choice of: Free full entry for 1 dog in 2025 or free guaranteed RV spot in 2025**
Please complete the following form to offer help

https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd03VenTJT7IMcMnbm5Z_U0oqmHLCecti_eaHnJRcsl1DToHQ/viewform

Wednesday Setup Crew

Can you come help us set up on Wednesday? Get your hands on the amazing Galican equipment and help us set up for an amazing weekend. Please complete the following form to offer help https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSd03VenTJT7IMcMnbm5Z U0oqmHLCecti eaHnJRcsl1DToHQ/viewform. And yes, we will have food & beverages too as well as an opportunity to win your choice of **Free entry for 1 dog in 2025 or free full hookup RV spot in 2025**

Personal canopies

Personal canopies will be allowed to set up on the grass berm. Due to the possible high winds in Paso Robles, all canopies must be lowered at the end of the day. It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure their canopies are secure and stay in place. Please also note that the berm is watered in the evening by the site. Therefore, any items left on the berm may get wet overnight. No personal canopies allowed on the Fairway field.

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 "By entering UKI events competitors agree to" section in the premium. In a nutshell - respect your dog, respect your fellow competitor, and 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.

Food Vendor

Ricky's Food Truck will be on site from Thursday September 19 thru Sunday September 22, providing a variety of breakfast and lunch items.

Directions

From Hwy 101

Take Hwy 46 East, Left on Airport Road, Left on Dry Creek Road (Drive approximately 1/4 mile), Left on Hughes Parkway.

From Hwy 46 East (coming from I-5)

Continue West on Hwy 46, Right on Airport Road, Left on Dry Creek Road (Drive approximately 1/4 mile), Left on Hughes Parkway.

Please show your appreciation to our class sponsors by visiting their web pages and vendor stands.

