



## RAT Sweetheart Trial

February 3-5, 2023  
Argus Ranch for Dogs  
35612 – 212<sup>th</sup> Way SE, Auburn, WA

### Judge:

Kari Hammargren

### Double Run format

### Building and Ring Surface info:

Indoors on packed dirt, two alternating rings

### Contact Surface:

Rubber

### Crating Set up times:

11:15 AM Friday  
7:15 AM Sat and Sun

### Briefing:

Information will be emailed prior to the trail.  
Short briefing at 11:45 AM Friday, and 7:45  
AM Saturday and Sunday.

### First dog on the line at:

Noon Friday  
8:00 AM Saturday and Sunday

### Preliminary Class Order:

May change depending on weather, judge's  
preference, time or number of entries

#### Friday

Class:	Number of Rounds:
Gamblers	2
Chances	2
Jumpers	2

#### Saturday

Class:	Number of Rounds:
Touch N Go	2
Regular	2
Grounders	2
Weavers	2

#### Sunday

Class:	Number of Rounds:
Regular	2
Chances	2
Tunnelers	2

**Entries Open by Postmark or Online:**  
**Dec 27, 2022**

**Entries Close by Postmark or Online:**  
**Jan 28, 2023**

**Crating:**

Inside crating will depend on current Argus rules.

**Entry Limits:**

450 runs each day

**Move ups:**

Move ups available day to day.

**Day of show Entries:**

Will be allowed at \$15 per run, no discounts of any kind.

**Refunds:**

100% refund available until closing date.  
80% refund available after closing date for injury or illness of dog or handler or family emergency. Females in season receive 100% refund.

**Online Entry & Payment**

See link and information on entry form below. If use online entry, it only becomes valid once online payment is received. A processing fee will be included.

**COVID Information**

Exhibitors must comply with all State, King County, facility, club, and NADAC COVID policies and restrictions.

**Containerized trial:**

Food or small toy may be carried into the ring in a bag or container, but may not be visible. All food and toys must be kept in containers. See NADAC rules for more information

**Show Committee**

Trial Chair: Debra Sweat  
dml24@juno.com

Trial Secretary: Sally Nickelson  
lenandsally1972@gmail.com

Chief Ring Steward: Pam Diemond  
Chief Course Builders: Nancy and Mike Roller  
Equipment: Pam Diemond, Kerstin Erhart  
Electronics Manager: Tim Evans  
Awards: Kathy Swan  
Workers Raffle: Teri Kruse  
Hospitality: Leslie Cole

**Confirmations:**

Confirmations will be sent by email.

**Food Information:**

Due to COVID, only snacks will be provided. Please bring your own food and beverages.

**Volunteer info:**

Please volunteer to work! We will be using a whiteboard to sign up for ring crew, leash runner, timer, scribe, and gate steward. Volunteers will receive coupons to use in the worker's raffle.

**Awards and Ribbons:**

Placement ribbons will be awarded to 4th place in each jump height for each class, except Chances, which is a pass/fail class. Qualifying ribbons will be awarded for each qualifying run.

**Equipment Information:**

All equipment meets NADAC standards. The A frame & Dog Walk have rubber surfaces; no slats. Weave poles have 24" spacing.

## 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 [www.nadac.com](http://www.nadac.com) 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 \$25.00 service charge for bank returned checks.
- Dog must be registered and have a valid registration number before entries will be accepted <https://www.nadac.com/register-your-dog/>
- A copy of the current Exhibitors Handbook may be downloaded free from the NADAC web site: [www.nadac.com](http://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 (zip-lock 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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 Entries open by postmark date, or online entry & payment, on Dec 27, 2022  
 Make Checks Payable to: Rainier Agility Team

Mail entries to: Sally Nickelson, 18411 9<sup>th</sup> Ave W, Lynnwood, WA 98037, OR enter online at: <https://form.jotform.com/220727857377165> There is a 2.9% + \$0.30 fee to use the online entry and payment system. **Entries MUST be postmarked or submitted online by January 28 for regular entry fees. After January 28, Day of Entry prices apply**

Owner					Dog		
Name					Call Name		
Address					NADAC Reg #		
City/State/Zip					Date of Birth		
Phone					Height at Withers		
Email					Breed		
Handler, if not owner					Emergency Contact Name/Phone		
PLEASE INCLUDE A COPY OF YOUR DOG'S HEIGHT CARD IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ONE ON FILE.							
CATEGORY: PROFICIENT <input type="checkbox"/> SKILLED <input type="checkbox"/>							
DIVISION: STANDARD <input type="checkbox"/> VET DOG <input type="checkbox"/> VET HANDLER <input type="checkbox"/> JUNIOR HANDLER <input type="checkbox"/>							
I WANT MY DOG TO JUMP: <input type="checkbox"/> 4 <input type="checkbox"/> 8 <input type="checkbox"/> 12 <input type="checkbox"/> 16 <input type="checkbox"/> 20							
Class	Level				Day		
	Intro	Novice	Open	Elite	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
Regular	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Rd 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Rd 2 <input type="checkbox"/>	Rd 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Rd 2 <input type="checkbox"/>
Chances	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rd 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Rd 2 <input type="checkbox"/>		Rd 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Rd 2 <input type="checkbox"/>
Jumpers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rd 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Rd 2 <input type="checkbox"/>		
Touch n Go	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Rd 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Rd 2 <input type="checkbox"/>	
Tunnelers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			Rd 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Rd 2 <input type="checkbox"/>
Weavers	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Rd 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Rd 2 <input type="checkbox"/>	
Gamblers		<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	Rd 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Rd 2 <input type="checkbox"/>		
Grounders	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>		Rd 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Rd 2 <input type="checkbox"/>	
<small>In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I/we certify that I/we have knowledge of, and are familiar with, and agree to abide by, the Rules and Regulations of NADAC in effect at the time of this trial, and by any additional rules and regulations as approved by NADAC for this trial. I/we certify that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. I/we further agree to be bound by the "Agreement" printed on page 5 of this premium</small>							

**Number of Total Runs Entered (all dogs): # \_\_\_\_\_**

**Postmark on or before Jan 28**

- 1-6 Runs = \$13 per run \_\_\_\_\_
- 7-18 Runs = \$12 per run \_\_\_\_\_
- 19 or more Runs = \$11 per run \_\_\_\_\_

- After Closing & Day of Show= \$15 per run \_\_\_\_\_
- Junior Handler = \$5 per run \_\_\_\_\_
- MIGS 10% discount \_\_\_\_\_

TOTAL ENCLOSED

\$ \_\_\_\_\_

Owner/Exhibitor: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Parent or Legal Guardian of Junior Handler \_\_\_\_\_

#### 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 regulations appearing in the premium for this event.

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), **Rainier Agility Team** (including its officers, directors, members, and event organizing committee), and Argus Ranch for Dogs (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 parties for damages because of bodily injuries, including death, at any time in consequence of my (our) 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.

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#### RAT'S BITCH IN SEASON (BIS) POLICY

RAT complies with all sanctioning organization rules regarding running a BIS in competition. You cannot crate a BIS inside a building where a competition is taking place. You must keep your BIS at least 100 feet away from a building where a competition is occurring, and at least 100 feet away from any outdoor competition.

(NOTE: NADAC does not allow a BIS to compete at a NADAC trial.)

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## Lodging Info and Directions:

### ON-SITE ACCOMMODATIONS & RV PARKING

An eight bedroom (two single beds per room) dormitory is available on site with full kitchen facilities. Bathroom facilities are shared. Dogs are allowed. RV hook-up facilities are also available at Argus. Shower and toilets are provided. To reserve a bed in Brutus Hall or an RV site, and to get current fees, contact [argusranchreservations@gmail.com](mailto:argusranchreservations@gmail.com). You may also go to the Argus website to make a reservation: <https://www.argusranch.com/reservations>.

**MOTELS** (Please check with motels regarding pet fees and limits.)

- **LaQuinta** 225 6<sup>th</sup> St. SE, Auburn 253-804-9999 No pet fee
- **Best Western Peppertree** 401 8<sup>th</sup> St. SW, Auburn 253-887-7600 Limits: 2 dogs/room up to 80 lbs each. Pet fee \$20 per night
- **Cedars Inn** 1334 Roosevelt Ave. E., Enumclaw 360-825-1626 \$10 per pet per night. Multiple night stay may have a discount
- **Best Western Park Plaza** 620 S Hill Dr., Puyallup 253-848-1500 Limits: 2 dogs/room up to 80 lbs each. Pet fee \$20 per night
- **Guest House** 1000 Griffin Ave., Enumclaw 360-825-4490 \$10 per pet per night

### EMERGENCY VETERINARIAN

Affordable Animal Emergency Clinic: (253) 939-6272  
718 Auburn Way N., Auburn, WA 98002

### DIRECTIONS to ARGUS RANCH, AUBURN, WA

From North or South: Take I-5, I-405, or SR 167 to Highway 18 eastbound. Exit onto Auburn Black Diamond Road eastbound. Turn Right onto SE Green Valley Road. Follow for about 7.5 miles. Turn Right onto 212th Way SE. Take first left into Argus Ranch. (For additional information, check out the web page at [www.argusranch.com](http://www.argusranch.com).)

### VOLUNTEERS

Please support our efforts by volunteering to work. We will be using whiteboards to sign up for ring crew, scribe, timer, leash runner, gate steward, etc.

### CONTAINERIZED TRAIL

Food or a small noiseless toy may be carried into the ring in your pocket provided it is contained in a ziplock 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 containerized 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, to diminish dogs dragging their handlers back to their crates (or wherever they left their food), and to lessen the number of insects that are around loose food.