GDAC Current Open session

We are currently making our open sessions a little more formal.

Here is the description of what we’re doing

**Name of Class:** Advanced Agility Skills Class

**Goal:**

To improve agility handling skills so the dog/handler team can be successful at NADAC agility trials.

**Prerequisites:**

• Must have taken Agility 1.0, 2.0 and 3.0

• Practices Agility on a regular basis

• Wants to compete in Agility trials or is currently competing in Agility trials

• Handler is willing to try new things and may be asked to try something outside their handling comfort zone.

**Advanced Agility Skills Class** will focus on working shorter sequences to develop skills needed to complete the sequences successfully. We will try working sequences from different handling positions. These sequences may be taken from courses run at past trials, VT runs, or can be exercises from online courses.

**Topics:**

• Serpentines

• Weave pole entries from different angles (Entries on NADAC courses have become more challenging.)

• Discriminations - tunnel/tunnel: contact/tunnel: weaves/tunnel; jump / jump, etc

• Developing Distance

• Wraps around hoops or barrels

• Timing of cues

• Body language

• Targeting

• Crosses -- Blind, Front, Rear

• Instructor welcomes any suggestions on sequences seen at a trial and were not sure how to handle. (Please send a copy of the course map )

All class members will be required to watch the other handlers and make comments and suggestions. Each of us has a tool box of success and failures that could be valuable to help another club member.

Dogs must be crated in the arena or crated in your car.