

Welcome to the Northeast Agility Championship at the Thanksgiving Cluster!

We are excited to return with this special event to the Thanksgiving Agility Cluster. Thank you for your participation. Last year we had 165 entries. This year we have 245 entries representing 63 different breeds! General information regarding classes and scoring are included below.

Classes and Scoring

- In order to participate in our NAC, you were required to enter Standard, Jumpers and T2B on Friday and Premier Standard on Saturday.
- Time2Beat is comparable to the Hybrid round at AKC Nationals and Premier Standard will be used as the Challengers round.
- AKC agility Master rules will apply for the qualifying rounds with the following exceptions: A refusal (excluding T2B), runout, wrong course, missed contact and dropped bar will result in a **5-point deduction**. Any run with an **Excusal (E)** will result in a **score of zero**. Course time deductions equal 3 points for every second over course time, truncating down to whole seconds.
- Scores for Friday will be the combined scores from Standard, JWW and T2B. The **top scoring 25%** teams, *minimum of 4 dogs and not to exceed 9 dogs*, will advance to the Finals on Saturday.
- Of the next top 5 scoring dogs from Friday, we will take the top scoring dog in each division from Saturday's Premier Standard class and place them in the finals.
- In the event there are less than 4 dogs entered in the Preferred division in a class, those dogs will compete with dogs at the "regular" height.
- A minimum of 100 total points will be required to qualify for the finals.
- Updated results will be posted throughout the day.
- Full scoring details are listed in the premium.

Swag Bags

- Thanks to the efforts of Amber McCune and American K9 Country, every NAC participant will receive a swag bag of goodies!
- Included in the bag is a runner's bib with your armband number. Please pin the bib to the back of your shirt on Friday so we may identify you as an NAC participant.
- Bags will be available for pick up Friday morning, on a table near the Volunteer area. They will be labeled alphabetically by owner's name.
- American K9 Country is the **sole** sponsor for these bags. Please take a moment to thank Amber for believing in this event and making it truly special for each exhibitor.

Prizes and Awards

- NAC rosettes will be presented to First, Second and Third place, in each height division.
- Prizes will be awarded at the end of each jump height. (8" P and 8" Regular will be presented before 12" dogs run, etc)
- First place winners will receive:
 - Rosette holder donated by Dr. Amanda Rizner from The Squeaky Egg
 - PVC Bars crafted by Sue Usher

AKC TV

- Finals will be live streamed by [AKC TV](#)
- Remember - no swearing on course :)
- Last year, a number of people that made finals did not have any information in their bio. Please take the time to click on this link and provide a few words about your dog. [NAC Bio for AKC TV](#)

Volunteers

- Please encourage your friends to stay and cheer you on and volunteer so we may run an efficient ring.

The Thanksgiving Agility Cluster committee thank you for entering. This is fast becoming the most exciting special attraction in the country.

Have a happy Thanksgiving and we will see you on Friday!