

Fall 2016

Organized Practice Session for Club Members

Arthur Pack Park. Located off Hardy and Thornydale. West on Hardy from Thornydale, on the north side of Hardy, across from Tortolita Middle School

Arthur Pack Park field is really three full size baseball fields. The three fields are enclosed. There is a 4 foot tall chain link fence between the middle field that we use and the east field. Because the chain link fence has a 10 foot gap, we put up snow fencing so the east field is separated from the middle field and members can practice on the east field while other members are running their course.

Parking: along Hardy. You cannot park in the Tortolita Middle School Parking Lot; if the west gate of the park is open, you **cannot** park inside the fence or along that road. There is access to the park from a gate on Hardy, on the east side of the park.

Be prepared to haul any personal/dog stuff the length of a baseball field!

Dates: Sept 18, Sept 25 (Membership General Meeting), Oct 2 (NADAC VT), Oct 9, Oct 23, Oct 30, Nov 6 (Green Dog Day), Nov 13, Nov 27, Dec 4, Dec. 18,

Times: Set up starts at 7:30 a.m. Practice begins at 8:00 a.m. or when all the equipment is set up. We will practice for 60-90 minutes. We will likely shift the time to a little later in the morning, when the weather cools down.

Organized Practice: We will set up a standard type course (i.e. Standard, Grand Prix, Steeplechase). If you want a “do-over” just email Steve (steve@jedidog.com) the course map; although no promises, we will make every effort to set up your proposed “do-over.”

Additionally, if there is a piece of equipment that is not part of one of the courses (i.e. broad jump, chute, etc), feel free to pull it out and work on it.

If you have a reactive or unfocused dog, let us know and we can have all handlers crate their dogs to minimize distractions. We want to make your practice as productive as we can.

Fees : \$10 for 1st dog, and \$5 for each additional dog, up to 3 dogs per handler; no scrip. We will take checks, made out to SSAC.

Here's a reminder of what you'll need to register for this session:

- Completed **Registration Form** and signed waiver of liability -- ONLY IF YOU HAVE NOT GIVEN ME ONE PREVIOUSLY (OR PREVIOUSLY REVOKED YOUR LIABILITY WAIVER)
- Review **Agility Field Rules** (online)
- **Payment**

We're looking forward to seeing you and your canine partner on the agility field.

SAGUARO SCRAMBLERS AGILITY CLUB, INC. TUCSON, ARIZONA
REGISTRATION AND WAIVER FORM

Organized Practice Sessions for Members & Non-Members

FALL 2016 Dates: Sept 18, Sept 25, Oct 2, Oct 9, Oct 23, Oct 30, Nov 6, Nov 13, Nov 27, Dec 4, Dec. 18,

If you have not filled out this registration form previously or you are running a new dog, Please complete one for each dog

Handler's name _____ Age (if minor) _____

Owner's name (if different from Handler) _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Home phone _____ Email address _____

Work phone _____ Cell phone _____

Dog's name _____ Dog's Age _____ Breed _____

Sex _____ Neutered/Spayed? Yes _____ No _____ Dog's Shoulder height _____

If you are a new member or if your dog is new to organized practice at an open field, please complete the following questions.

Has you or your dog had any agility training or experience? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, please describe _____

Please describe your dog's agility experience on contacts (dogwalk, A-frame, teeter) (how many times has your dog been on these pieces of equipment, what kind of handler assistance does the dog need to perform the contact equipment, etc)? _____

My dog will: _____ come _____ sit _____ down _____ stay on command.

Can you call your dog to you reliably when he or she is off leash and: _____ sees other dogs playing

_____ playing with other dogs _____ playing with other people _____ chasing something?

What is your dog's attitude toward strangers: _____ lick them to death _____ reserved _____ shy
_____ may bite _____ will bite Other _____

What is your dog's attitude toward other dogs (on or off leash) _____ very friendly _____ friendly

_____ reserved _____ aggressive Other _____

*******IF YOU HAVE NOT PREVIOUSLY SIGNED A LIABILITY WAIVER
PLEASE REMEMBER TO SIGN THE LIABILITY WAIVER *******

**SIGNED WAIVER MUST BE INCLUDED WITH YOUR REGISTRATION FORM
STATEMENT OF RESPONSIBILITY AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

I, the undersigned, hereby agree to hold Saguaro Scramblers Dog Agility Club Inc., its members, directors and officers, and Pima County (Arthur Pack Park) and/or City of Tucson (Reid Park) harmless from any claim for damage, loss, or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of my dog(s) while participating in any Saguaro Scrambler club sponsored activity. I hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, sustained by any person or persons, including myself or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my participation during training.

I understand that agility training is an activity that is held in the presence of other dogs and their owners. I understand that participation in agility training will require some physical activity on my part and on the part of my dog. I also understand that this activity will involve running, jumping, and the use of obstacles such as teeters, A-frames, tunnels, scaling planks, jumps and tires and other obstacles which could result in injury to me, to my dog, or to others.

I represent that I am in good health and my dog is in good health; that my dog(s) is friendly and not a hazard to other persons or dogs; that I will examine the equipment provided for the class, along with the premises, prior to permitting my dog to engage in agility activities, and that I will participate at my own risk.

I also hereby confirm that any dog that I bring to any Saguaro Scramblers Club sponsored activity is current on all vaccinations and has no communicable diseases.

Signature of handler: _____

Signature of owner if different from handler: _____

Signature of parent of guardian if handler is a minor:

(Minors are required to be accompanied by a parent or guardian at all times.)

Date: _____

Release for dog less than 15 months of age.

Dogs should be at least 15 months old due to growth plate development, attention and lack of obedience control. If the dog is less than 15 months of age, a release must be signed by the owner and submitted to the club.

I understand that my dog is less than 15 months of age, and I will not hold Saguaro Scramblers Agility Club responsible for any injuries incurred or any future injuries resulting from jumping or obstacle execution at a young age as a result of using the club's agility equipment.

Signature of owner. Must be 18 years or older to sign.

Date

Saguaro Scramblers Agility Club: Field Rules Arthur Pack Park and Reid Park

Saguaro Scramblers Agility Club emphasizes positive training with your dog. Agility is meant to be fun for both the dog and the handler. Positive reward based training helps build a partnership with a dog. Here are the following SSAC rules:

1. Harsh corrections are not allowed
2. Dogs should NOT be on the equipment if the dog and the handler aren't trained. It is OK to skip a piece of equipment on a training course if your dog has not been trained for it..
3. Unless your dog is on course or working an exercise it must be confined to an x-pen or crate or held on a leash. Dogs MAY NOT be tied to fences.
4. Agility is an off leash sport. Therefore it is very important NO dog be out of control or show aggression toward another dog or person.
5. Reliable recall. Your dog MUST be controllable off leash.
6. No nuisance barking since we are in residential neighborhoods.
7. You are responsible for cleaning up after your dog at all times.
8. Females in heat are not allowed on equipment.
9. Observers with leashed and well behaved dogs are welcome.
10. Children under 18 must be supervised by a parent/guardian at all times. Parents are responsible for their children's behavior at all times.
11. Dogs must be a minimum of 15 months old to be on equipment. We will accept dogs under 15 months but an additional release must be signed.
12. No "Flexie" leashes allowed. Long lines are permitted.
13. Electronic Collars (EC) are not allowed at Saguaro Scramblers Agility Club practices unless the member (or non-member) is granted permission by one of the following Trainers **prior** to use:

Denise Evans - evansd1017@aol.com

Mary Anne Coleman - macsditr@yahoo.com

It will be the individual's responsibility who chooses to use the EC to contact one of the

trainers prior to use at one (1) supervised practice. Both Trainers must approve use of the EC. One of the Trainers must be on site while EC is in use 1st time only.

The person in charge of practice has the right to revoke EC use at their own discretion.

Use of EC at AKC, USDAA or NADAC events are governed by that organizations governing rules.

14. Prong collars are allowed at Saguaro Scramblers Agility Club practices and events that are not sanctioned by AKC, USDAA or NADAC. The prong collar is to only be used to get a dog in and out of a ring, or to walk around the grounds. They cannot be used on any dog running an agility course.

15. Electronic Bark Collars or Citronella Collars are allowed at Saguaro Scramblers Agility Club practices and events that are not sanctioned by AKC, USDAA or NADAC. If using a citronella collar it MUST BE UNSCENTED. Handler must ask the person that is orchestrating said practice to determine location of crating the dog, so to not affect another dog with the use of the collar.

ALL CLUB MEMBERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR INSURING THE ABOVE SAFETY RULES ARE FOLLOWED