

Class Schedule for Fall 2021

Fall Session

Registration: Opens on 7/26/21
Closes on 8/18/21

Orientation: 8/25/21 7:00-8:00pm

Wednesday: 9/1, 9/8, 9/15, 9/22, 9/29, 10/6
6:00-6:50pm Beginner
7:00-7:50pm Advanced
8:00-8:50pm Competition

Thursday: 9/2, 9/9, 9/16, 9/23, 9/30, 10/7
8:00-8:50pm Intermediate

Classes are \$100.00 and includes a \$10.00 registration fee. Refunds will be pro-rated for the number of weeks remaining in the class less the registration fee. There will be no refunds following Week 3 of a session, except for bitches in season; sick, or injured dogs.

A covid waiver form must be sent with the registration form in order for a spot to be held for the handler/dog.

Social distancing is recommended while on the fairgrounds property. MKC will follow guidelines established by the CDC and Virginia state government at the time. Any recommended changes to issued guidelines will be followed. Anyone refusing to comply with established guidelines will be asked to leave and will not receive a session refund.



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Mattaponi Kennel Club
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Present our

2021 AGILITY CLASSES

Location of Classes

Prince William County Fairgrounds
10624 Dumfries Road
Business Route 234
Manassas, VA

For Additional Class Information

Betsy Thompson, Registrar
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Telephone 703-434-1139

Course Descriptions:

Orientation: This is required for new clients. It provides basics on what is needed in class, expected behaviors, etc.

Beginner

An introduction to obstacles, on-lead control, handling techniques, and jumping concepts. Obstacles introduced include: low A-Frame (3-4 feet high); open tunnel; running board; ladder; table; jumps, 3-pole weave entry, weave pole teaching concepts; rocker board or low teeter, dog walk (8' long, 3' high), and the broad jump, building up to two or three obstacle sequences. Most of the work in this class is done on leash.

Intermediate

Continues to build on concepts introduced in the Beginning class and exposure to all equipment used in novice/beginner competitions. Handling concepts introduced include side changes (front cross, rear cross, blind cross), angled entries; distance handling, and sequencing. The panel jump and wing jumps will be introduced. In this class, dogs should begin to transition from being on leash to working in control of the handler off leash.

Advanced

Introduction to all obstacles used in Open competition, distance handling techniques, and competition strategy. USDAA courses and handling strategies will be included.

Run Thrus

Nested AKC Masters and Novice standard and jumpers courses allowing participants to work on handling skills. Participants in this class must have completed the Advanced Class or have Instructor permission.

Note: Run thrus are weather permitting, check FACEBOOK and the MKC Webpage for scheduled times and cancellations. Cost of run thrus are \$5.00 a dog per run, if there is a large turnout, dogs are limited to two runs. (3 minutes of ring time for each run).

Competition

Provides exposure to full courses requiring handling techniques seen in recent competitions. Standard and jumpers courses are provided.

Fancy Handling

This class further develops specific skills needed for success in agility competition and will focus on advanced handling skills. Students must have completed an advanced level class to participate.

Mattaponi Class Requirements

Mattaponi Agility Dogs strives to offer a variety of classes for anyone wishing to participate in the sport of Agility. Experienced trainers and those new to dog sports are welcome to join us for the fun and challenge of agility training.

We require that dogs enrolled in our classes be easily controlled by their handler and not demonstrate aggressive

behavior towards people or other dogs. Formal obedience training is not required, but dog control on and off lead is a necessity.

The only training equipment that must be supplied by the dog's owner/handler is a flat buckle collar (no choke collars and no tags, please), a six foot lead, a small hand tab for the collar, and plenty of small motivational treats or toys for the dog. Mattaponi requires that all dogs have a current Rabies vaccination and proof of such MUST be submitted with the registration form.

If you are interested in enrolling in a class, please see our web site at MattaponiKennelClub.com or contact Betsy Thompson by email at bgthompson96@gmail.com or by calling 703-434-1139 for a registration form. To register, your signed class registration form, copy of rabies certificate, covid waiver and check must be received during the registration period. Email confirmations will be sent indicating whether you are in your desired class or are wait-listed.

All dogs and handlers who are new to agility are required to attend orientation. Contact the Registrar for days and times.

Classes may be repeated as needed to provide the dog and handler an adequate foundation for subsequent classes and for agility competition.

Jr. Handlers (under 16 years of age) must meet with the Evaluation Committee prior to class enrollment. The committee will look at the Jr.'s ability to control and train their dog, accept instruction, and assess and accept responsibility for the dog's well being in class.

About Mattaponi Kennel Club

Mattaponi Kennel Club is an AKC member Club. Mattaponi Kennel Club meets 10 times each year & sponsors many events at Waggin' Tails Junction in Manassas, VA. Meetings are held the first Monday of most months at 7:30. Meetings are open to the public. Check our web site for more information on meetings and other events, including: AKC All-Breed Conformation Show, Obedience and Rally Trials, Agility Trials, FAST CAT Trials, Coursing Ability Tests, Tracking Tests, Scent Trials, Canine Good Citizen Tests and Eye Clinics.

Note: Mattaponi Kennel Club Instructors and members have priority for classes the first week of registration. For nonmembers, we recommend sending the registration request when registration opens. After the first week, all registrations are processed on a first come, first received basis. Confirmations will be sent when the registration closes. If you want to confirm that your registration has been received prior to the close date, please contact the registrar at bgthompson96@gmail.com.