

***The Agility Association of Canada &
The Flashing Canines Agility Club***

are proud to present the



***Warm-up/Steeplechase May 24th, 2024
Regional Rounds May 25th and 26th, 2024***

***Redcliff Ball Diamonds
Broadway Avenue W.
Redcliff, AB***

Outdoor Grass Surface – Rain or Shine, Wind, or Snow

Opening Date: February 12th, 2024

Closing Date: March 18th, 2024

(Early Bird March 4th, 2024)

Our Judges:

Glenn Tiede (BC) * Tracey Mallinson (BC) * Kirsten Locke (BC) * Christopher Elias (BC)

2024 Regionals website: <https://www.flashingcanines.ca/abnwt2024regionals>

Email: lindakfk9@gmail.com

(As per AAC rules, the precincts of this event are the ball diamond areas, including the shade tent area and the competition rings; excluding the RV/Camping areas / Day parking areas, and Concession / Vendor area)

TENTATIVE Schedule of Events (this schedule is based on 200 dogs)

All times listed below are TENTATIVE. Final times will be determined by # of competitors entered.	
Thursday, May 23rd, 2024	
8:00 am – 6:00 pm	Site Set-Up: No competitors or vendors on site.
6:00 pm – 8:00 pm	Competitors and vendors welcome to set up.
Friday May 24th, 2024	
10:00 am	Site Opens – registration and benching begins (until 6:00 pm)
11:00 am	Dog Measuring 1 for Steeplechase and Regionals (until 11:30 am)
12:00 pm – 6:00 pm	Warm Up ring open
12:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Steeplechase 1 & 2 (both rings run simultaneously)
5:00 pm	Dog Measuring 2 for Regionals (until 5:30 pm)
6:00 pm	Opening Ceremonies (until 6:30 pm)
Saturday May 25th, 2024	
6:00 am	Site Opens – benching allowed
6:15 am	Registration (until 7:00 am)
6:30 am	Dog Measuring 3 for Regionals (until 7:00 am) – last chance
7:00 am	Group walk-through followed by individual event walk throughs
8:00 am	Run Regionals Events Day 1 All Specials & Vets (until 12:00 pm)
12:15	Regular walk-throughs
1:15 pm	Run Regionals Events Day 1 All Regulars (until 5:15 pm)
5:30 pm	Banquet/Awards, Wrap Up Announcements.
Sunday May 26th, 2024	
6:00 am	Site Opens
7:00 am	Group walk-through followed by individual event walk throughs
8:00 am	Run Regionals Events Day 2 All Specials & Vets (until 12:00 pm)
12:15	Regular walk-throughs
1:15 pm	Run Regionals Events Day 3 All Regulars (until 5:15 pm)
5:30 pm	Awards and Regional Championship Ceremony (Aggregates)
6:45 pm	That's a Wrap (tear-down)
Monday May 27th, 2024	
	Site teardown
Thank you all for coming!	

AAC 2024 REGIONALS OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Email or mail entries no earlier than February 12th, 2024

Email entries: lindakfk9@gmail.com **Mail entries:** AAC 2018 Regional Entries, 54 Northlands Pointe NE Medicine Hat, AB T1C 0C3

Payments e-transfers: payments@flashingcanines.ca

Payment is due 72 hours after confirmation is received or March 21st, 2024 at the latest.

Mailed entries must be postmarked by March 18th, 2024 (early bird March 4th, 2024).

Incomplete entries (including NSF cheques) will be considered invalid. No post-dated cheques will be accepted.

No refunds will be issued after the closing date, except as outlined. All fees include applicable taxes.

Owner/Handler Information			
Owner Name:		AAC #:	
Address:			
City:		Prov./State:	
Handler (if Not Owner):		PC:	
Telephone:		Owner E-mail:	
Dog's Information (please use a separate entry for each dog)			
Call name:		Breed:	
DOB:	DOG AAC#:	Height:	
Class entry (please circle one): REG SPEC VET DDVET JR Senior/Disabled: YES			
Jump height for this event (please circle one): 4" 8" 12" 16" 20" 24"			
Entry Fees			
AAC Member Entry (EARLY BIRD before March 4 th , 2024)		1 st Dog \$165 Subsequent Dogs \$ 145	
Non-Member Entry (EARLY BIRD before April 2 nd , 2018)		1 st Dog \$175 Subsequent Dogs \$ 155	
AAC Member Entry (After March 4 th , 2024)		1 st Dog \$180 Subsequent Dogs \$ 160	
Non-Member Entry (After March 4 th , 2024)		1 st Dog \$190 Subsequent Dogs \$ 170	
WARM UP RUN on Friday		Friday (90 seconds) x \$ 5.00	
AAC Sanctioned Steeplechase Round One		\$ 15.00	
AAC Sanctioned Steeplechase Round Two		\$ 15.00	
Saturday Banquet: Pulled Pork w/buns, salads, condiments		@ \$ 30.00 / @ \$ 15.00 (under 10)	
If you would like to request a meal with dietary restrictions, please let us know. Once we have an idea of what is needed, we will let you know. Banquet tickets can be purchased separately at that time.		Type of Restriction: _____	
Benching			
BENCHING (all 13' x 13') spots		@ \$20	
GRAND TOTAL			
ONE competitor you would like to bench near (we'll do our best!)			

AGILITY ASSOCIATION OF CANADA ("AAC")

PARTICIPATION WAIVER AND RELEASE

Handler Name: _____
Dog Name: _____ (the "Dog") AAC Dog ID#: _____
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In consideration of the acceptance of this entry by AAC and Flashing Canines Agility Club (the "Organizing Club") and the opportunity to have the Dog participate, compete in and/or be judged at this event or trial (the "Event"), I, the undersigned, agree as follows:

1. I certify that I am the actual owner of the Dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner of the Dog and that the Dog is not a hazard to persons, property or other dogs.
2. I agree that AAC or the Organizing Club for the Event may refuse my entry for any reason that it deems to be sufficient.
3. I understand and acknowledge that participation in the Event carries certain risks, including, but not limited to injuries (including serious injuries and death) to myself, the Dog, another dog under my control or persons attending as my guests (my "Related Parties"), damage to property and other losses. I waive any and all claims that I have or may have in the future against, and release from all liability and agree not to sue AAC, the Organizing Club or any of the directors, executives, committees, representatives, employees, volunteers or agents of either AAC or the Organizing Club (the "Personnel") for any injury, death, property damage or other loss that I or my Related Parties sustain due to any cause whatsoever, including negligence, breach of contract, breach of duty, statutory or otherwise, or mistakes or errors of judgment of any kind.
4. I assume full responsibility for the conduct of myself and my Related Parties during the entirety of the Event. I agree to indemnify and save harmless AAC, the Organizing Club and the Personnel from and against any and all claims that may be made against them or costs, fees, expenses or liability (including, without limitation, lawyers' fees on a solicitor and own client basis) incurred by AAC, the Organizing Club or the Personnel that may arise due to:
 - (a) any act or omission of myself, my Related Parties or any party for whom I am liable at law; or
 - (b) aggressive behaviour by the Dog or any other dog under my control.
5. I have read, and do understand the rules of competition and the additional rules (if any) appearing in the trial schedule for the Event, as well as the policies of AAC pertaining to discipline (collectively, the "Rules"). I agree to abide by the Rules and to conduct myself and the Dog in accordance with the Rules. I understand that myself and/or the Dog may be subject to disciplinary procedures or sanctions for breach of the Rules and agree to respect and be bound by any disciplinary decision made by AAC.
6. I understand that AAC and/or the Organizing Club may, in the course of administering the Event or conducting its activities generally, collect, use or disclose my personal information and that any personal information collected, used or disclosed by AAC and/or the Organizing Club will be treated in accordance with AAC policy and applicable privacy and personal information laws. I hereby consent to the collection, use and disclosure by AAC and/or the Organizing Club of my personal information.

Media Release & Rights of Privacy Waiver

I Hereby Grant to AAC and its affiliated companies, representatives, agents and assigns, all rights and permission to use or appropriate his/her and their dog's name, biography, likeness, photograph, voice, performing persona, or other indicia of identity for broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission or distribution in any format or media known now or in the future.

Waiver of Rights to Privacy, Publicity & Personality

Further, I hereby release Agility Association of Canada Inc, and its affiliates, representatives, agents and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of publicity, right of personality, or any similar rights.

7. I have been given the opportunity to read and understand the terms of this Agreement before signing it, and have in fact done so. I understand that by signing this Agreement, I am restricting my legal rights and I sign this Agreement voluntarily and of my own free will.

Signature: _____
Parent or Guardian must sign if the Handler is under 18 years of age.

Date (dd/mm/yy): _____

Entry not valid unless Agreement is signed, dated, and submitted with the correct fee.

HOTELS

HOST HOTEL

The Comfort Inn and Suites has graciously agreed to be our host hotel!

Stay in Medicine Hat is offering discounts from The Comfort Inn and Suites and four other hotels. Their reservations page can be found at: <https://stayinmedicinehat.com/hotels>. Be sure to select one of the five hotels listed below to get a discounted rate. **Discount Code: AAC-24.**



SPONSOR HOTELS

QUOTE CODE AAC-24 FOR DISCOUNT RATES

COMFORT INN & SUITES

2317 TransCanada Way
403-504-1700



- Complimentary Breakfast
- Pet Friendly
- Free High-Speed Wireless Internet
- Pool, hot tub & fitness room.

Rates starting at \$119.00



CLARION POINTE

1100 Redcliff Dr. SW
403-969-9596



- Large Waterpark
- Easy access to Hwy 1 & 3
- Free Breakfast & Internet
- Pet friendly

Rates starting at \$89.00



HOME INN EXPRESS

20 Strachan Crt. SE
403-527-1749



- Family Friendly
- Pets Welcome
- Free Cafe-style Breakfast
- PS3 in every room, games available to rent.

Rates starting at \$89.00
No pet fees!!



HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS & SUITES

9 Strachan Bay SE
403-504-5151



- Suites with sofa bed
- Complimentary Hot Breakfast
- Pool, waterslide & hot tub.
- 96 rooms and 3 meeting rooms.

Rates starting at \$169.00
+\$25/stay pet fee



TOWNEPLACE SUITES

7 Stober Bay
403-487-5131



- 110 guest rooms
- All-suite hotel
- Free Hot Breakfast and Internet
- Fully equipped kitchens.

Rates starting at \$129.00



EVENT MADE POSSIBLE WITH THE SUPPORT OF THESE HOTELS!

[StayInMedicineHat.com](https://stayinmedicinehat.com)

Camping:

Redcliff Municipal Campground:

- 16 Campsites, including 4 drive-through sites all with electrical hook ups.
- **NO** reservations, first come first serve ONLY.
- Maximum stay 14 nights.
- Open Mid May to October, weather depending.
- In Redcliff, Broadway west and 3 Street southwest (right at the Regionals venue)
- **Power Only:** \$40.00
- **Site Power:** 30 Amps 50 Amps
- Tables provided at campsites
- Free showers
- Tap water available
- Flush toilets
- Sewage dumping station
- Please contact them directly to confirm any of the above: 403-548-3618 if needed.

Gas City Campground (Medicine Hat):

- Gas City Campground offers 98 campsites
- Located off the Trans-Canada Highway and 7 Street SW.
- GCC also has two 'Comfort Cabins', allowing you to camp with all the luxuries of home.
 - Each 540 sq ft cabin comes complete with a kitchenette,
 - 2-piece washroom
 - Two bedrooms which sleep a total of six.
- Community campfire pit and kitchen
- Convenience store
- Dump station
- Firewood
- Laundry facilities
- Playground
- Showers
- Wireless internet
- The WestVue Dog Park, is directly across from the campground.
- Please remember that pets must be on-leash while inside the campground.
- Please contact the campground directly for costs: 403-529-8158

Venue:

Redcliff Ball Diamonds, Redcliff, Alberta
102 1st St SW Redcliff T0J2P0

Volunteers:

This annual event could not be run without the help of Volunteers. Their time and effort make it possible for us to have fun with our dogs. Those who have family, friends, etc. willing to help out for a shift or two are asked to contact michellelarsonfk9@hotmail.com. Competitors who can fill a volunteer shift or two are also asked to contact michellelarsonfk9@hotmail.com Volunteering may be required of all competitors if spots are not filled by others.

Food

Some Food Trucks will be available on site but the exact number is not confirmed right now. Please watch the website and Facebook for announcements. The Town of Redcliff has an excellent bakery, Tim Horton's, Subway, A & W, and several restaurants.

Banquet (Informal)

Join us Saturday night for an informal banquet. Please bring a chair.

- \$30/person/\$15 for 10 years old and under
- Catered by Mike's Meats of Medicine Hat
- Pulled Pork. (gluten-free)
- Buns
- Coleslaw (gluten-free)
- Potato Salad (gluten-free)
- Condiments
- Cheese slices
- Pickles
- Onions
- Cutlery Plates Napkins
- Dessert (gluten-free)

If you would like to request a meal with dietary restrictions, please let us know. Once we have an idea of what is needed, we will let you know. Banquet tickets can be purchased separately at that time.

Security

Overnight security will be on site from trial site closing time until trial site opening the next day. However, please do not leave valuables out of your sight during the day and take valuables home each night.

Benching/Shade Tenting

Each competitor will be able to reserve up to 2 benching spots for \$20 each. You can also let us know ONE person you would like to bench near if possible. Spots will be 13-feet by 13-feet in size and will be marked on the ground.

Once payment is received, you will receive notice of your spot number.

There are no tents, shade, shelter, or anything included within these 13-foot by 13-foot spaces. Please bring whatever you require to keep yourself and your dog(s) comfortable when not in the ring. Be mindful of your neighbors and clean up your space before you leave.

Note: Benching will only be allowed in the designated shade tent area or out of your vehicle. Tents and crates will not be allowed anywhere else on site.

Warm Up Runs

Warm Up Runs will be available to purchase as part of your entry. There will NOT be any for sale on the trial site (must be purchased ahead of time with your entry). The cost is \$5 per 1 minute 30 seconds. You can purchase as many as you desire but unused runs will not be refunded. All Warm Up Runs are to take place on Friday, May 24th, 2024. Confirm with the schedule the times for these runs. The Warm Up Ring will include all 3 contacts (A-Frame, Dogwalk, and Teeter) as well as weave poles. Limited jumps may be available but changing of the jump heights will be taken from your time limit (including returning all jumps to their original height) and you must set them yourself or arrange for friends to do it for you.

Treats and toys will be allowed during Warm Up runs under the following conditions:

- Treats can only be fed from the hand and must not touch the ground or any equipment (recommend treats that are not crumbly). No throwing of treats.
- Toys must be in good repair (no pieces of fur or material falling off) and must not make any noise (no squeakers or any other audible sounds). Toys may be thrown TO the dog or tugging with the dog is allowed.
- Training aids (i.e. clickers, stride regulators, target plates, etc.) are not allowed.

Merchandise

Merchandise will be available for purchase separately from your entry. Please watch our website and Facebook page for more information.

Refunds

Refunds will NOT be given for cancellations or changes after the closing date (March 18th, 2024), in the event the dog is absent on the day of the trial, cancellation of the event due to inclement weather, or if a dog/handler is dismissed from competition, regardless of the reason for such dismissal. Exceptions will be made for bitches in season or injury/illness to a dog or handler, which physically prevents them from competing, and is requested with an accompanying veterinarian or health professional's certificate/note to the trial secretary before the first day of the Regional Championship.

Refunds requested without an accompanying veterinarian or health professional's certificate/note will be handled on a case-by-case basis at the Organizing Committee's discretion.

A \$15 administration fee will be applied to any refund request.

Awards & Rosettes

Steeplechase:

Two rounds of Steeplechase will be available (you can run one or both). The results from the two events will be combined and the Regionals point system will be used to determine 1st through 3rd placements. **You must run both courses to be considered for these placement ribbons.**

Placement ribbons for 1st through 3rd in each jump height category will be available for Steeplechase (provided by Carol Kulych of Beyond Imprint). Please see the registration tent.

Steeplechase qualifying and title rosettes will be available for Steeplechase titles (provided by the Flashing Canines Agility Club). Please see the registration tent.

Regionals:

Individual round placements 1st-10th will be presented at the awards ceremony each day.

Aggregate placements 1st-10th will be awarded for the Regionals rounds along with Nationals qualifying rosettes on Sunday.

Other Rules, Regulations, and Information for Competitors

- The Regional Championship will be held under AAC Regional Rules and Guidelines. These can be found on the AAC website <https://www.aac.ca/>
- All obstacles will conform to AAC Specifications.
- Dogs must remain on leash and under control at all times when not competing or warming up, except in specifically marked off-leash areas at the trial site.
- You must pick up after your dog on the trial/Regionals site and at your hotel. Anyone found not picking up at the site or at the hotel will be excused from the trial with no refund of entry.
- Competitors shall have the right to videotape their individual runs for their personal use only. No portion of the event may be recorded for commercial purposes without the permission of the AAC.
- Through entry to this event each competitor grants to the AAC and its representatives and/or agents all rights and permission to use or appropriate his/her name and his/her dog's name, biography, likeness, photograph, voice, performing persona, or other indications of identity for broadcast, telecast, cablecast transmission or distribution in any format or media now known or hereafter to become known. All competitors hereby release AAC and its representatives and/or agents from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of publicity, right of personality or any similar right.
- Bitches in season (BIS) will be allowed to compete. The following conditions will apply
 - Handlers are required to notify the trial secretary that they will be running a BIS at the event as soon as it is known.

- Handlers should minimize exposure of their BIS to other dogs and limit their movements about the grounds.
- Competitors with dogs that come into season will be allowed to withdraw and will be offered a refund if they choose not to compete.
- Competitors will be notified there is a BIS on site.
- A protective mat will be provided for use at the start line (minimum of a 2'x3' mat of non-slip material).
- BIS will be required to run in protective panties. If panties happen to come off in the middle of the run, there will be no fault.
- BIS will run as a group at the end of each class.
- "BIS" will be noted next to the dog's name on the gate sheet so that other competitors, ring crew and the Judge(s) are aware.
- BIS must use the designated relief area. 10.
- BIS must wear protective panties when not within the designated relief area.
- BIS are also allowed to run the Steeplechase.
- Any handler who is found to abuse a dog will be disqualified and asked to leave the trial site immediately.
- Confirmations will be sent to each competitor upon receipt of his/her entry. Each competitor is responsible for confirming all information on the confirmation email is correct (class, jump, height, etc.). Please promptly email the trial secretary **only** if a change or correction is necessary. All registered dog's AAC ID numbers will be posted to the Regional's website.
- Friday's Steeplechase is a sanctioned AAC event and you do NOT have to enter the Regionals event to compete.
- All dogs must have an AAC ID # to compete. No dog can compete without an AAC ID #.
- A U.S. resident wishing to attend a Regional Championship will be assigned a specific Regional Championship to attend based on the location of their home state. U.S. residents are eligible to attend only the specific Regionals Championship to which they are assigned. AAC state-to-province breakout criteria can be found on the AAC.ca website.
- Regional Championships are open to all dogs capable of demonstrating the elements of agility and control, and the mental and physical ability to carry out the required tests. Any dog is eligible to compete without regard for pedigree. Dogs less than 18 months of age, bitches in season, dogs suffering from any injury or illness that affects the dog's physical or mental performance or any dog that demonstrates signs of aggression towards people or other dogs will not be permitted to compete in a Regional Championship.
- Dogs must run at a jump height at which they would be eligible to compete in an AAC Sanctioned Agility Trial for the class in which they are competing, to a maximum of 24" in the regular classes and a maximum of 20" in the special and veteran's classes
- AAC Rule Reminders:
 - The penalty for leaving the ring and/or catch area, at the end of every run, NOT under control (on leash or in your arms) is an 'elimination'.
 - Although the AAC does not specify restrictions on dog training tools; pinch/prong and electronic collars (dummy or not), including citronella spray collars, are not permitted at AAC sanctioned events.
 - Dogs are allowed to wear a close-fitting collar, with no attachments, in the ring.
 - No leashes, toys, food, or other training devices shall be allowed on the course, except leading your dog to the start and placing the lead in your pocket or leaving it for the leash runner (if available).

2.8.2 Jump Heights

Table 2.8.2- Allowed Jump Heights, by Category

Dog's Measured Height	Allowed Jump Heights, by Category (divisions in brackets)		
	Regular	Special	Veteran/Junior Handler*
12" or less	8" (mini) or 12" (medium)	4" (mini)	4" (mini)
>12" to 15"	12" or 16" (medium)	8" (medium)	4" or 8" (medium)
>15" to 18"	16" (medium) or 20" (open)	12" (medium)	8" or 12" (medium)
>18 to 22"	20" or 24" (open)	16" (open)	12" or 16" (open)
>22"	24" (open)	20" or 16"*(open)	16" or 20" (open)

*Giant breed dogs measuring into 24" Regular may choose to compete 1 or 2 heights lower in Specials (see 2.7.2.2)

Where two jump heights are listed, the handler may choose which height their dog will jump at that trial. The dog must jump the same height for the whole trial, unless the dog changes categories during the trial.

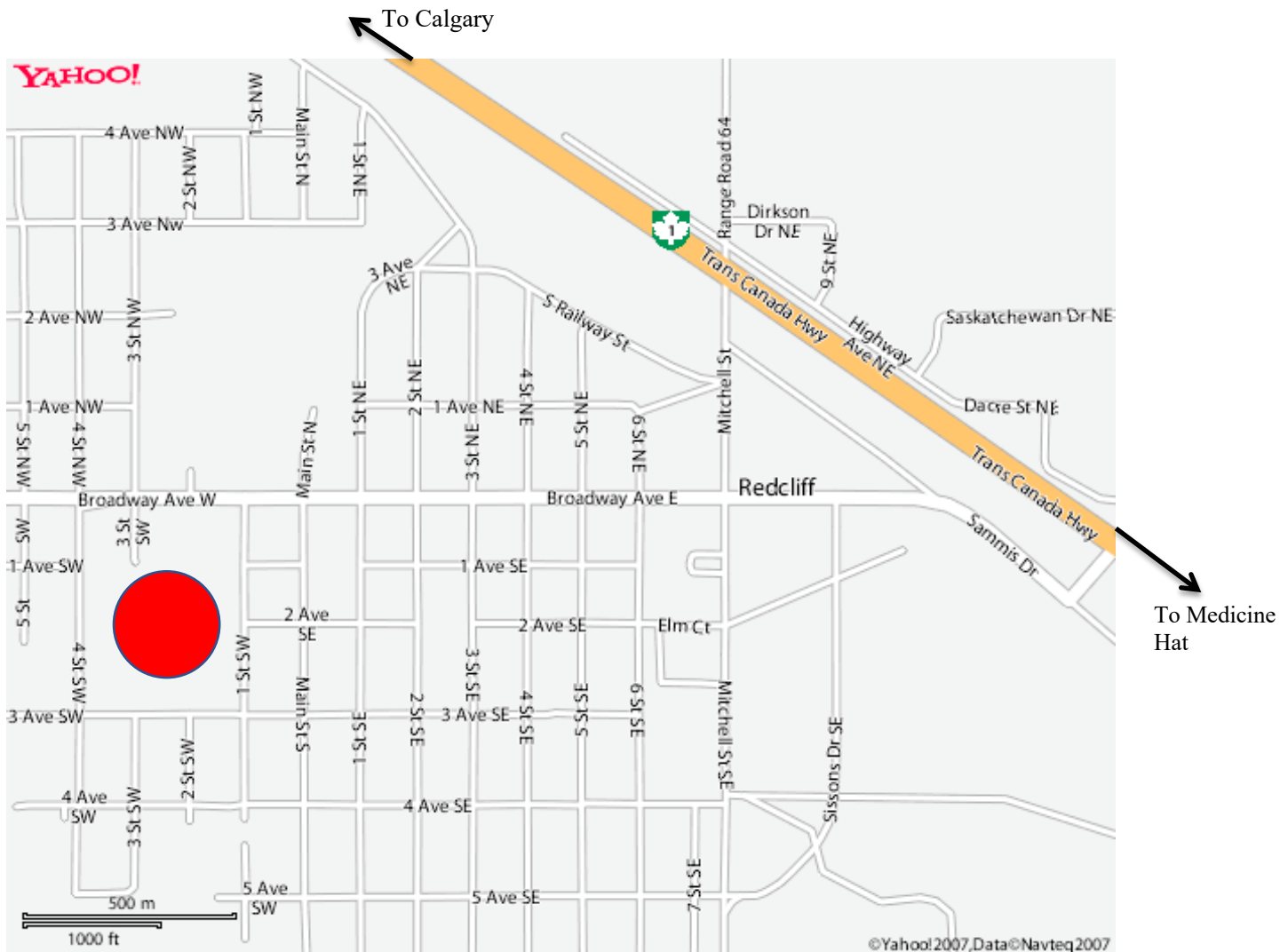
Regular dogs may compete one height higher than their measured height.

Dogs entered in the Special category MUST jump one height lower than the lower of the two heights listed for Regular dogs.

Dogs entered in the Veteran and Junior Handler categories MUST jump one height lower than the lower of the two heights listed for Regular dogs (SD veteran), but may, at the handler's discretion, jump two heights lower (DD veteran), where available.

*Veteran dogs entered in the Junior Handler Category will also have the option of jumping three heights lower than the lower of the two heights listed for Regular dogs, where available.

2024 Regional Championship Venue DRIVING DIRECTIONS



(approximately 3 hours):

1. Go East on Highway 1.
2. Upon nearing Redcliff, turn right to go onto 8th St. NW.
3. Turn left onto Broadway Avenue.
4. Turn right on 3rd St. SW to enter trial site parking area.

From Medicine Hat (approximately 15 minutes):

1. Go West on Highway 1.
2. Turn left at second major intersection to go onto Saamis Drive.
3. Turn right onto Broadway Avenue.
4. Continue into Redcliff. Go approx. 1.66 km on Broadway Avenue to 3rd St SW to enter trial site parking area.