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

are proud to present the



Warm-up/Steeplechase May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2024 Regional Rounds May 25<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup>, 2024

# Redcliff Ball Diamonds 6 3 St SW & 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: <a href="https://www.flashingcanines.ca/abnwt2024regionals">https://www.flashingcanines.ca/abnwt2024regionals</a>

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)

<b>Thursday, May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2024</b> 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.					
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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 9until 5:15 pm)					
5:30 pm	Awards and Regional Championship Ceremony (Aggregates)					
6:45 pm	That's a Wrap (tear-down)					
Monday May 27 <sup>th</sup> , 2024	Site teardown					
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#### **AAC 2024 REGIONALS OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM**

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

Email entries: <u>lindakfk9@gmail.com</u> Mail entries: AAC 2024 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 # (NOT Dog ID):					
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:					
Junior Handler: 18 and under as of December 31, 2024 (300 points to qua	lify). Are you running as a Junior Handler?	Y	ES NO			
Class entry (please circle one): REG SPEC VET DDVET	Accessibility Concession (300 point	s to qualify) Y	ES NO			
Jump height for this event (please circle one): 4" 8" 12" 1	6" 20" 24"					
Entr	y Fees					
AAC Member Entry (EARLY BIRD on/or before March 4th, 2024)	1st Dog \$165 Subsequent Dogs \$ 145					
Non-Member Entry (EARLY BIRD on/or before March 4th, 2024)	1st Dog \$175 Subsequent Dogs \$ 155					
AAC Member Entry (After March 4th, 2024)	1st Dog \$180 Subsequent Dogs \$ 160					
Non-Member Entry (After March 4th, 2024)	1st Dog \$190 Subsequent Dogs \$ 170					
WARM UP RUNS 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	Type of Restriction:					
know. Once we have an idea of what is needed, we will let you know.						
Banquet tickets can be purchased separately at that time.	-1.t					
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BENCHING (all 13' x 13') spots	@ \$20 (maximum of 2 per compe	/				
	GRA	AND TOTAL				
Do you require printed maps? (limited quantity printed)		Yes	No			
ONE competitor you would like to bench near (we'll do our best!):		res	No			
ONE competitor you would like to bench hear (we if do our best!):						

#### AGILITY ASSOCIATION OF CANADA ("AAC")

#### PARTICIPATION WAIVER AND RELEASE

Handler Name:			
Dog Name:	(the "Dog") AAC Dog ID:	#:	-
Dog Name: Dog Name:	(the "Dog") AAC Dog ID:	#: #:	-
	(the "Dog") AAC Dog ID		_
In consideration of the acceptance of to have the Dog participate, compete	this entry by AAC and Flashing C	anines Agility Club (the "Organ	
1.I certify that I am the actual owner Dog is not a hazard to persons, pl		authorized agent of the actua	l owner of the Dog and that the
2.I agree that AAC or the Organizing	g Club for the Event may refuse	my entry for any reason that it o	deems to be sufficient.
3.I understand and acknowledge the serious injuries and death) to myst Parties"), damage to property an release from all liability and agreepresentatives, employees, volume property damage or other loss that contract, breach of duty, statutory	self, the Dog, another dog under d other losses. I waive any and ee not to sue AAC, the Organ nteers or agents of either AAC o t I or my Related Parties sustain	my control or persons attending all claims that I have or may lizing Club or any of the direct the Organizing Club (the "Pedue to any cause whatsoever, it	ng as my guests (my "Related have in the future against, and ctors, executives, committees, rsonnel") for any injury, death,
4. I assume full responsibility for the and save harmless AAC, the Orgathem or costs, fees, expenses or by AAC, the Organizing Club or the costs.	anizing Club and the Personnel f liability (including, without limitati	rom an <mark>d against any and all cla</mark> ion, lawyers' fees on a solicitor	aims that may be made against
(a) any act or omission of	myself, my Related Parties or a	ny party for whom I am	
liable at law; or (b) aggres	ssive behaviour by the Dog or a	any other dog under my	
control.			
5.I have read, and do understand to Event, as well as the policies of conduct myself and the Dog in according procedures or sanctions for bread	AAC pertaining to discipline (co cordance with the Rules. I unders	llect <mark>ively, the "<b>Rules</b>"). I agr<mark>ee</mark> stan<mark>d that myself</mark> and/or the Doo</mark>	e to abide by the Rules and to g may be subject to disciplina <mark>ry</mark>
6.I understand that AAC and/or the generally, collect, use or disclose and/or the Organizing Club will be I hereby consent to the collection,	my personal information and that e treated in accordance with AAC	an <mark>y pers</mark> onal information collect policy and applicable privacy	cted, used or disclosed by AAC and personal information laws.
Media Release & Rights of Privacy Waix	ver.		
I Hereby Grant to AAC and its affi appropriate his/her and their dog's n broadcast, telecast, cablecast, trans	liated companies, representative ame, biography, likeness, photog	graph, voice, performing person	na, or other indicia of identity for
Waiver of Rights to Privacy, Publi <mark>city</mark> & Further, I hereby release Agili <mark>ty Ass</mark> cause of action for invasion <mark>of</mark> the rig	ocia <mark>tion</mark> of Canada In <mark>c, a</mark> nd its <mark>af</mark> g <mark>hts of pri</mark> vacy, righ <mark>t of</mark> publicity,	<mark>righ</mark> t of pe <mark>rsona</mark> lity, or any simi	lar rights.
7. I have been given the opportunity so. I understand that by signing this of my own free will.			
Signature:	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.

## Volunteers for AB/NWT AAC 2024 Regionals

Thank you for signing up to volunteer for our event! We couldn't do it without our amazing volunteers!

Phone N	umber:
Email Ad	ldress:
Where w	vould you like to volunteer?
	Ring Crew
	- Pole Setting
	- Leash Running
	- Scribe Running
	- Videographer
	Gate Steward (morning shift or afternoon shift)
	Timer (morning shift or afternoon shift)
	Scribe (morning shift or afternoon shift)
	Course Building (Friday evening, Saturday AM, Saturday PM)
	Site Volunteers (wrist band checking, site maintenance, silent auction, ect)

When can you volunteer?

Name:

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
FULL DAY	FULL DAY	
Shifts	Shifts	
7:00- 1:00	7:00-1:00	
12:00-6:00	12:00-6:00	

Please select a size for your volunteer shirt:

8000 - GILDAN® D	ryBlend™ T-S	Shirt						
GARMENT MEASUREMENTS		200		W105			000000	
Size	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL
Chest - Half Measure	18"	20"	22"	24"	26"	28"	30"	32"
Chest - Full Measure	36"	40"	44"	48"	52"	56"	60"	64"
Body Length from HPS	28"	29"	30"	31"	32"	33"	34"	35"
Sleeve Length-CB	15 5/8""	17"	18 1/2"	20"	21 1/2"	22 7/8"	24 1/4"	25 3/8"

Finished measurements in inches. Refer to "How to Measure" guide for detailed information on measurement instructions.

ADULT General Sizing Guide								
Size	S	М	L	XL	2XL	3XL	4XL	5XL
Chest	34"-36"	38"-40"	42"-44"	46"-48"	50"-52"	54"-55"	56"-57"	58"-61"
Waist	29"-32"	32"-35"	35"-38"	38"-41"	41"-44"	44"-47"	47"-50"	50"-53"
Sleeve Length-CB	32"-33 1/2"	34"-35"	35"-36"	36"-37"	37"-38"	38"-39"	38 1/2"-39"	39"-39 1/2"



Please let us know of any food allergies/concerns:

When are you available?

- Thursday Afternoon/Evening for site set up?
- Friday Morning/Afternoon/Evening? (Check-in, site set up, afternoon events, evening set up?)

#### 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: <a href="https://stayinmedicinehat.com/hotels">https://stayinmedicinehat.com/hotels</a>. Be sure to select one of the five hotels listed below to get a discounted rate. **Discount Code: AAC-24**.













EVENT MADE POSSIBLE WITH THE SUPPORT OF THESE HOTELS!

StayIn**MedicineHat**.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.

#### Ross Creek RV Park (Medicine Hat – east side on the Trans Canada):

- 30 AMP Power & Water only Daily: \$44.00 + GST
- 30 AMP Power, Water, & Sewer Daily: \$46.00 + GST
- 50 AMP Power, Water, & Sewer Daily: \$49.00 + GST
- 41 deluxe RV sites equipped with electric 50/30/20/10 Amp Power
- WIFI Services
- Pull Through Sites with full services
- Satellite dish friendly
- Pet Friendly
- Picnic Tables
- Electricity
- City Water (seasonal)
- Shared Firepit
- Group Camping
- Disposal Station
- Cash, Debit, Visa, Mastercard
- 403-581-7975 or rosscreekrvpark@gmail.com
- Book online: <a href="https://rosscreekrvpark.ca/pages/contact-us">https://rosscreekrvpark.ca/pages/contact-us</a>

#### **Echo Dale Campground** (south of Medicine Hat, 21 minute drive)

Campground amenities include:

- Camp kitchen with wood burning stove please bring your own wood
- Large, shared fire pit area
- Picnic tables
- Pit toilets
- Unserviced \$25/night
- 403-529-8158 (reservations open Feb 1)
- campground@medicinehat.ca

#### 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 <a href="michellelarsonfk9@hotmail.com">michellelarsonfk9@hotmail.com</a>. Competitors who can fill a volunteer shift or two are also asked to contact <a href="michellelarsonfk9@hotmail.com">michellelarsonfk9@hotmail.com</a>. 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 24<sup>th</sup>, 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 18<sup>th</sup>, 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 of 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 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> placements. You must run both courses to be considered for these placement ribbons.

Placement ribbons for 1<sup>st</sup> through 3<sup>rd</sup> 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-10<sup>th</sup> 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
  - O Handlers are required to notify the trial secretary that they will be running a BIS at the event as soon as it is known.
  - o 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.
  - o Competitors will be notified there is a BIS on site.
  - o A protective mat will be provided for use at the start line (minimum of a 2'x3' mat of non-slip material).
  - o 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.
  - O 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.
  - o BIS must use the designated relief area. 10.
  - o BIS must wear protective panties when not within the designated relief area.
  - o 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'.
- O 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.
- O 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	Allowed Jump Heights, by Category (divisions in brackets)						
Height	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)				

<sup>\*</sup>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.

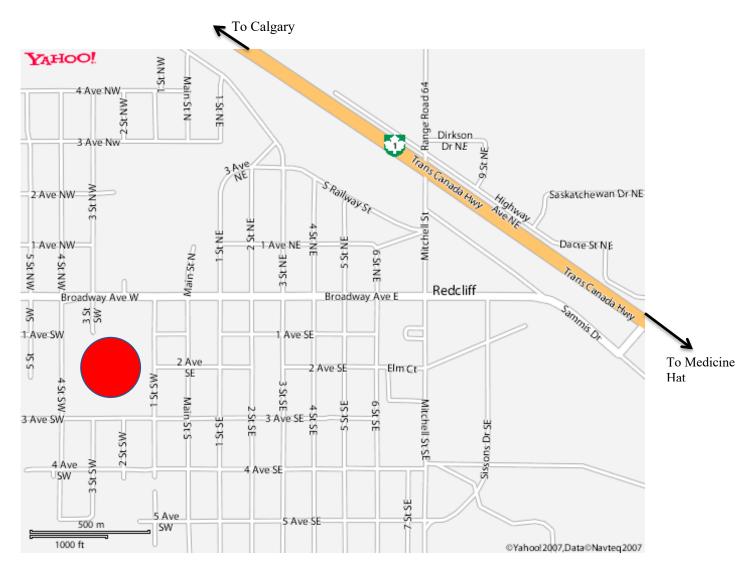
Regular dogs may compete one height higher than their measured height.

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.