

THE CSJ AGILITY OPEN

June 13th - 16th 2024

Bury Farm Equestrian Village, Mill Road Slapton, Buckinghamshire, LU7 9BT (Indoor and outdoor all weather surface arenas)

OPEN TO ALL AGILITY COMPETITORS - WORLDWIDE NO REGISTRATION WITH ANY ORGANISATION REQUIRED **EQUIPMENT SUPPLIED BY INDIGO EQUIPMENT HIRE**

WAO 2024 Win On Spots!

(England, Scotland & Wales)

Entries open: 2nd February 2024 at 18:00

Entries Close: 24th May 2024

Enter Online: www.gacsystems.com

(direct link from www.theagilityopen.com)

ENTRIES CAPPED AT 450 DOGS

Event briefing will take place on Wednesday 12th June at 18.00 hours

ENTRY FEES:

£65 per dog inclusive of all events and runs. Pre-booked camping - £50 (Weds – Sun night inclusive) Pre-booked Camping with electric hook-up (likely on hardstanding) – £135 (Weds – Sun night inclusive. Hook up cost is decided by the venue.)

Postal entries should be sent together with fees to

CSJ Agility Open, Corbiere, Longdon Hill, Wickhamford, Evesham, Worcs. WR11 7RP (Cheques made payable to UK Agility Ltd)

Refreshments available all day in the venue's Cafeteria and Licensed Bar

Enquiries: enquiries@theagilityopen.com or call 01386 833283

Vets on Call:

Leighton Buzzard Companion Care, 31 Grovebury Road, Leighton Buzzard, Bedfordshire LU7 4SW, Telephone:01525 384985



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Information

Keep up to date with all information by visiting www.theagilityopen.com or the event Facebook page at https://www.facebook.com/TheCSJAgilityOpen/ or search Facebook for "The CSJ Agility Open".

Schedule of Events

(Subject to change so please make sure you check <u>www.theaqilityopen.com</u> before the show commences).

Wednesday

- Measuring 1600 to 1800 hours.
 UKA measures approved by GAC prior to 1st November 2022, WAO or previous CSJ Open measures will be accepted.
- Event Briefing 1800

Thursday

- Pentathlon Jumping 1
- Pentathlon Agility 1
- Games Challenge Snooker
- Steeplechase Challenge Qualifying Round 1

Friday

- CSJ National Championships Jumping Round 1
- Pentathlon Agility 2
- Biathlon Jumping
- Steeplechase Challenge Final (after all other classes finish)

Saturday

- CSJ National Championships Agility Round 2
- Pentathlon Jumping 2
- Biathlon Agility
- Games Challenge Gamblers (after all other classes finish)

Sunday

- CSJ Challenger Round
- Pentathlon Speedstakes
- CSJ National Championships Final







The equipment at the CSJ Agility Open will be provided by Indigo Equipment Hire https://www.facebook.com/IndigoEquipmentHire

Individual Event Rules

Please note that each event, including the final round, is a separate competition for each jump height. Progression details below are subject to change depending on the size of the entry. These will be finalised shortly after closing and announced on the CSJ Agility Open Facebook page

Biathlon

This event consists of a jumping round and an agility round. Results are combined and the least faults wins.

- The results of a jumping and an agility run are combined. Least faults wins and time used only as tie-breaker
- An elimination in any Biathlon class is 50 faults, plus dogs that are eliminated will be given a course time of 50 seconds, regardless of the standard course time.
- Double elimination will not be placed in the overall result
- In the event that there is a tie among the top 3, the agility round score will determine the winner. If there is still a tie, dogs will run-off on the agility course

Steeplechase Challenge

A qualifying round with progression to a Final. Faults converted to time, results not combined.

- The top 25 non-eliminated dogs from the first round will qualify for the Steeplechase Challenge Final
- Obstacle faults converted into seconds (5 faults = 3 seconds) and time faults added on a 1:1 ratio
- Running order for the Final will be in reverse order of the first round results
- Dogs eliminated in the Final will not be placed
- In the event of a tie among the top 3 in this event, the winner will be decided by a run-off on the Final course

Games Challenge

This event consists of a round of Snooker and a round of Gamblers. Results from both rounds combined.

- Combined results of a Snooker round and a Gamblers round
- Highest number of points wins with time considered only in the event of a tie
- Eliminations & dogs not stopping the timers will score 0 points and be given 100 seconds for course time.
- You will not progress to the Gamblers round with an Elimination.
- The 30 top placed dogs in the Snooker round will progress to the Gamblers round.
- Running order for Gamblers will be in reverse order of the Snooker results
- In the event of a tie in the top 3 of this event, scores from the Gamblers round will determine the winner. If there is still a tie, the winner will be decided by a run-off over the Gamblers course.

Pentathlon Challenge

In the Pentathlon, all faults are converted to time (e.g., 5F = 3 seconds and so on) over 2 jumping, 2 agility and 1 speedstakes round.

- Consists of 2 jumping, 2 agility and 1 speedstakes round. All dogs will run the first 4 rounds
- Scoring is cumulative over all rounds
- Obstacle faults will be converted into seconds (5 faults = 3 seconds) and time faults added on a 1:1 ratio for all classes in this event
- An elimination in any Pentathlon class is 50 faults plus dogs that are eliminated will be given a course time of 50 seconds, regardless of the standard course time.
- Maximum total score is 100 so any score over this will be changed to an elimination.
- The top 20 after 4 rounds will qualify for the speedstakes round
- Running order for the speedstakes will be the reverse order of placings after the 4th round
- In the event of a tie for the combined results, the result from the speedstakes round will decide the winner. If there is still a tie, the results from previous classes will be used in the following order: agility 2, jumping 2, agility 1, jumping 1. If this does not produce an outright winner, there will be a run-off on the speedstakes course.

CSJ National Championships

A progression class through a jumping round to an agility round and then to the Final, which will also be an agility round. Results are not combined in these Championships, least faults in each run wins.

- A progression class through a jumping round to an agility round and then to the Final, which will also be an agility round.
- Each round is a separate competition (scores not cumulative)
- Least faults wins with time used as tie breaker only, in all aspects of this event
- Eliminations will not progress from any round
- Dogs eliminated in the Final will not be placed
- In round 1, the top 50% of the initial entry number or top 10 in each height, whichever is higher, will progress to the second round agility class.
- The top 10 in each height from Round 2 will qualify for the Final
- Running orders for the Final will be in reverse order of round 2 results.
- In the event of a tie in the top 3 of the Final, the dogs will compete in a run-off on the Final course

CSJ Challenger Round

If you didn't make it to one of the Sunday Finals (Speedstakes or CSJ National Championships), this class is especially for you. Win it, and you'll also win a place in the Championship Finals! (You must have run in round 1 of the CSJ National Championship to be eligible to run in this class and not have withdrawn from or been a no show for round 2 or any pentathlon round.)

- All dogs failing to qualify for either the Pentathlon Speedstakes round or the CSJ National Championship Finals on Sunday will be entered into this event automatically
- Dogs that have qualified for one of these events are not eligible for the Challenger Round
- If dogs were a no show or withdrawn from any round of the pentathlon or CSJ Nationals championship they are not eligible.
- This is a one-round agility class with no connection to any previous classes
- Least faults win with time used only as a tie-breaker
- In the event that there is still a tie, the winner will be decided by run-off over the agility course
- The winner in each height secures a place in the CSJ National Championship Final unless eliminated. CSJ Challenger winners will run first in the Final



The 2024 Agility Open Future Prospect Award

A goal of the Agility Open is to help with the preparation and development of future British international teams. In each height there will be a presentation for the most successful young dog at the event.

You will earn points if you are placed in the top 10 in the overall Biathlon, Pentathlon, Steeplechase, Games and CSJ National Championships as outlined below.

Dogs born on or after 1st January 2021 (i.e., under 3.5 years old) will be entered into this award automatically. Points will be awarded as follows:

Place	Points	Place	Points
1 st	10	6 th	5
2 nd	9	7 th	4
3 rd	8	8 th	3
4 th	7	9 th	2
5 th	6	10 th	1

- Individual classes in each event do not score points
- The dog with the highest points will win the title
- In the event that there is still a tie, the winner will be decided by the result from the CSJ National Championship, followed by the Pentathlon, Biathlon, Games and Steeplechase

Entry for The CSJ Agility Open

We are pleased to announce all entries will be processed by <u>www.gacsystems.com</u>. All previous CSJ Open entrants automatically have their details on the GAC system. To register yourself and your dogs on GAC systems is free of charge and takes under 2 minutes to do.

Important Notice to Competitors. Please Read.

The CSJ Agility Open competition and scoring rules have been tailored to this event. They are available on the Agility Open Web page www.theagilityopen.com

You must ensure that you and your dog(s) comply with these regulations at all times and without exception. It is your responsibility to read and understand the rules and regulations that are in force at the time of this event. If there are any rules you do not understand please ask. In the event of any extraordinary circumstances not covered by the rules, any matter arising will be considered by the Competition Manager, whose decision is final.

By entering this event you are confirming that you have read and understood the Rules and Regulations as well as any rules and regulations as stated in this schedule and promise to abide by them.

Camping

Camping pitches on grass will be 10m x 8m. Electric hook up will be available but these pitches may be slightly smaller depending on availability. Unfortunately, we are not able to state if hook up will be on hardstanding or grass. By booking Electric hook up you agree that you could be parked on either surface. All other camping units will be on grass. However, if the weather is inclement, and use of the fields will cause

damage, the decision may need to be taken that all grass camping moves onto hardstanding and you will need to comply with this. By booking camping you agree to this policy. Anyone found staying on site will be liable to pay the full camping fee. NO PITCHES WILL BE AVAILABLE BEFORE 3PM on Wednesday 12th June. If you arrive earlier you will have to park in the car park until pitches are ready.

You're On The Helpers List!

We really need your help to make this show a huge success for everyone. We don't want to force anyone to do anything they don't want to – but we really hope that you **will** want to! Because of the way the events are scheduled, there will always be a group of competitors not running dogs. We have taken the liberty of assigning everyone to a ring during these times and it would be hugely appreciated if you could lend a hand.

If you know of anyone who is at the show but not running a dog and would like to be a bigger part of The CSJ Agility Open, then we would love to hear from them or you! **Please contact enquiries@theagilityopen.com**.

General Competition Rules

- This event is open to all dogs and handlers irrespective of their level in any organisation, worldwide
- Each event is a separate competition for each jump height with no pre-qualification necessary
- Dogs and handlers do not need to be registered with ANY organisation.
- Jump height cut offs are based on WAO.
- Dogs may only compete in one height for the duration of the event
- Dogs must be run by the same handler for the duration of the event
- There is one single entry that includes participation in all individual events
- All classes will be run in strict running order
- Running orders will be drawn randomly for the first round of each class but will be adjusted to follow the rules of multiple dog handlers. (See following page.)
- Classes will be run under The Agility Open Rules and Regulations. Additional rules are detailed below
- Bitches in season may run at the event. Please notify <u>enquiries@theagilityopen.com</u> prior to 10th
 June 2024 or the Secretary's Office at the event during check in. These dogs will be highlighted on
 running order sheets
- The show management reserves the right to rule at the event on anything not covered in these rules that requires clarification
- In the event of any extraordinary circumstances not covered by the rules, any matter arising will be considered by the Competition Manager, whose decision is final
- No results from this event will count towards progression in any agility organisation
- A coin toss will be used to determine running orders in the event of a tie where necessary
- In the event of a tie for a progression place, both dogs will progress
- A run-off will determine final placement in the event of a tie
- A no-show in any class will result in disqualification from that individual event, including prizes and awards and any further runs.

• If there is a withdrawal from a progression event after qualification, then the next placed partnership will be informed, with a cut off time to respond by. If they do not respond by that time the place will be offered to the next partnership on the list. There will be no changes after 8.30am on the morning of any final. Only the winner of the Challenger round will gain a place in the National final, this place will not be offered to anyone else if it is not taken up.

Schedule and Running Orders

It is anticipated that an event of this size will run over a maximum of 4 full competition days (Thursday – Sunday) with check in on Wednesday afternoon.

The precise class schedule will be published on www.theagilityopen.com and The CSJ Agility Open Facebook page as soon as the entry has closed.

Groupings

To eliminate clashes, in the main this event will run under a group system which means there will always be at least one group not running dogs per rotation. We hope that this group will assist in running the rings to which they have been assigned, as mentioned previously.

To ensure there is no competitive advantage, the groups will be created randomly to create an equal number of dogs. No switching of groups will be permitted after closing, regardless of relationship to other competitors. Parents and under 16 junior handlers must notify us at time of entry if they wish to be in the same group through the Friends and Family procedure below. Failure to do this means that parent and junior handler could be assigned to separate groups.

FRIENDS & FAMILY - Competitors have the option to request one other fellow competitor be listed in the same group. This must be submitted at time of entry. Although there are no guarantees, we will do our very best to accommodate your requests. Both competitors must name one another at the time of entry to stand a chance of being grouped together. Please don't assume you will automatically be placed with your spouse, family member or partner if you don't request it. Parents and under 16 handlers must use this procedure to ensure they are in the same group. Requests after the entry close date will not be accepted – sorry, no exceptions.

Managing Clashes for Handlers with Multiple Dogs

In the initial classes of each event (non-seeded runs) a random draw will produce the running order. In the event of a handler having two or more dogs, CSJ will endeavour to provide a gap of at least 10 dogs (9 dogs between their runs) by moving the lowest drawn dog forward in the running orders; for example, if a handler's dogs are drawn 10th and 15th, the dog drawn 10th will be moved up to run 5th. If this does not create the required gap then the second dog will be moved backwards in the running orders to create the gap. If this still does not create the required gap, the handler will be given a 5-minute break (maximum) between dogs.

In the seeded classes, running orders are based on the reverse of the previous run, e.g., lowest placed dogs will run first; highest placed dogs will run last. Handlers with 2 dogs will automatically have the earliest drawn dog moved up the running order to create a gap of at least 10 dogs (9 dogs between their runs). If this is not possible, the handler will be given a 5-minute break (maximum) between dogs.

The 5-minute countdown will start as the handler's first dog crosses the finish line; the handler must enter the ring with their second dog before the countdown is complete.

If a handler has dogs in different height divisions, and the 10 dog gap cannot be achieved, the 5 minutes will run through while the jump heights are being changed

Please note that it is the handler's responsibility to notify the Show Secretary's office of any potential clashes requiring the 5-minute rule before 6pm on Wednesday, 12th June.

By entering more than one dog in this event, handlers indicate their acceptance to comply with these running order rules.





Exclusive World Agility Open (WAO) Super Win On Spot

Are you from England, Scotland or Wales? Then this is a unique opportunity to "win" a spot for your respective country in 2024. Achieve the "Super Win On Spot" and you will be offered a place in *all 3* individual events for your country!

You will earn points if you are placed in the top 8 in the overall Biathlon, Pentathlon, Steeplechase, Games and CSJ National Championships as outlined below.

- You must enter the correct WAO jump height you are eligible for to be considered for this win on.
- Individual classes in each event do not score points
- Points are calculated separately for each country and each height
- The dog with the highest points in each height will gain the "Win On Spot" place for their country. You must be in the top 8 for at least two of the events and at least one must be the biathlon, pentathlon or games
- Points will be awarded in the following way

Place	Points
1 st	45
2 nd	36
3 rd	28
4 th	21
5 th	15
6 th	10
7 th	6
8 th	3

- If a dog is eliminated in the CSJ National Championship Final no points will be scored for this class
- In the event of a tie, the results from the Biathlon Agility result will decide the winner

Important Note. If the winning handler does not want to take the Win On Spot or is ineligible due to height or nationality, the win on place **will not** transfer to the second placed handler.

If you achieve a Win On Spot, you will need to comply with all aspects of that Team's WAO Selection document.

If the criteria for the super win on spot is not achieved, then individual event win on spots will become available for pentathlon, biathlon and games for that country in that height.

To gain one of these specific win on spots, the partnership must be the highest ranking partnership for that country in the same individual event as the win on spot and must also be in the top five overall result. For example if there is no Scotland, 400 height, Super Win on spot and the highest Scottish, 400 height partnership finishes fourth overall in the biathlon at the CSJ Open they will gain a win on spot for Scotland in the WAO Biathlon.

On entry, please state which country you represent, e.g., England, Scotland or Wales.



Rules and Regulations

The Agility Open Rules and Regulations 2024 for competing and scoring apply to the entire event. By entering, competitors agree to be aware of, and comply with these rules and regulations at all times. They can be downloaded, free of charge, from www.theagilityopen.com

By entering, competitors also agree that they understand and are compliant with the event-specific rules, including:

- No dogs under 18 calendar months of age on the 16th June 2024 are eligible to compete. Competing
 dogs must have been born before 16th December 2022.
- Entries online will be taken at <u>www.gacsystems.com</u> or click the Online Entry link on <u>www.theagilityopen.com</u>
- For paper entry, separate entry forms must be completed and signed by each competitor and accompanied with the appropriate fees. If using a recorded delivery service, please specify "No Signature Required" or acceptance cannot be assured
- All fees must be paid in full before entries accepted
- Entries will not be accepted, changed or altered after the closing date or the capping level has been reached. No refunds will be given for any reason after the closing date or capping level has been reached. A £10 admin fee will be deducted from any refund requested prior to the closing date. If a paid for entry is deleted prior to the closing date by the handler online, they must contact support@gacsystems.com within 2 working days to claim their refund. This money cannot be transferred to any other entry, including a future entry by the handler.
- A handler change due to injury will be accepted until close of check in, but the substitute handler must be in the same group as the original handler.
- There will be no refunds for entries withdrawn or in the event a dog and/or handler is dismissed from the competition, regardless of the reason for dismissal providing this was within accordance of The Agility Open Rules and Regulations and or rules contained in this schedule.
- A dog shall be withdrawn from competition if it is:
 - Suffering from any infectious or contagious diseases
 - o Interfering with the safety of any person or other animal
 - Likely to cause suffering to the dog if it continues competing
- It is the competitor's responsibility to be available for their running order and by entering the event they understand by being late they will miss that run and be withdrawn from that individual event.
- Anyone who enters or attends this show is totally responsible for the behaviour of their dogs, children and guests. Any competitor whose dogs, children, or guests create unnecessary disturbances or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behaviour, may be asked to leave the event grounds. No refunds of fees will be made in such a case
- No competitor shall impugn the decision of the judge, judges or show management

Rules and Regulations continued

- No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of a dog at any time within the boundaries of the show
- Should a judge be unable to fulfil their appointment, the show management reserves the right to appoint another judge. This may require alteration of other judging arrangements, in which case, the circumstances will be publicised on The CSJ Agility Open Facebook page.
- In the event of abandonment of the show through circumstances beyond our control, the show management may defray such expenses from the entry fees to cover the cost of the show preparation. These accounts will then be made public.
- Dogs left in hot cars, or dogs appearing to be in distress, will be dealt with as seen fit by the show management
- All dogs are entered at this show at their owners risk and whilst every care will be taken, the show
 management will not accept responsibility for loss, damage or injury however caused to dogs,
 persons or property whilst at the show
- Failure to pick up after your dog will result in you being asked to leave the event immediately. If you walk multiple dogs, you must ensure that you can pick up after them all.
- Media Rights Release: Through the entry into this event, all competitors grant to The Agility Open and their 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. Further, you hereby release The Agility Open and their 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 right.
- Returned cheques do not constitute a valid entry. A £20.00 service charge will be levied in the case of returned cheques

Jump Heights

The following table shows the jump heights for the event.

HEIGHT NAME	DOG'S HEIGHT (MM)	JUMP HEIGHT (MM)	A-FRAME HEIGHT(M)	ASCENDING SPREAD LENGTH (MM)	LONG JUMP LENGTH (MM)	TYRE HEIGHT CENTRE (MM)
250	320mm and under	250mm	1.7m	215-235mm	500mm	490mm
300	380mm and under	300mm	1.7m	260-280mm	600mm	490mm
400	440mm and under	400mm	1.7m	350-370mm	800mm	550mm
500	500mm and under	500mm	1.7m	440-460mm	1000mm	650mm
600	Any	600mm	1.7m	530-550mm	1200mm	800mm

Measuring

When measured, a dog should be placed in a standing position on a flat surface such as a table. The measurement is taken from the perpendicular line from the top of the dog's withers to the flat surface. Only UKA measures approved by GAC prior to 1st November 2022, WAO or previous CSJ Agility Open measures will be accepted for entry into the CSJ Agility Open. If a dog does not have one of these measurements, they must attend the measuring session that is being held on Wednesday 12th June from 16.00. If your dog does not have an official measurement it may be excluded from competition. No dogs competing in 600 height require an official measurement.

Note. If your dog's official measurement moves you into a different height than the one entered you may compete in that height at no extra cost. Your running order will be 1st in that height in all rounds where the running order has been published. If you choose not to run there will be no refunds.

There will be an additional measuring session on Thursday pm, at the end of the day, for anyone that was unable to attend on Wednesday who needed a measure. There will be an additional cost for this of £5 cash per dog (to encourage you to attend on Wednesday). Anyone who measures out will have their Thursday results deleted and due to the event having started will be unable to run for the remainder of the 2023 CSJ Agility Open. Anyone who has not had a measure by the end of this measuring session will be removed from the event.

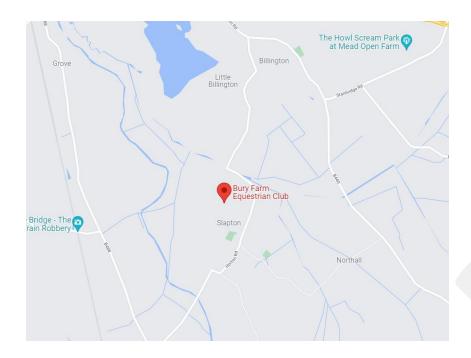


Directions

Bury Farm Equestrian Village is situated on Mill Road in the village of Slapton, just south of Leighton Buzzard. The postcode for sat nav is **LU7 9BT** what3words ///scrap.agree.rounds

Once inside the venue please follow event signs and instructions from stewards. Please be nice to them, or you will be asked to leave.





PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE BEFORE 3PM ON WEDNESDAY Unless by prior and proven agreement.

THE SPEED LIMIT ON THIS SITE IS WALKING PACE, FIRST GEAR. ANYONE DRIVING FASTER THAN THIS WILL, WITHOUT EXCEPTION, BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE EVENT IMMEDIATELY



The CSJ Agility Open Entry Form June 13th – 16th 2024



Mail Entries with Fees to: CSJ Agility Open, Corbiere, Longdon Hill, Wickhamford, Evesham, Worcs., WR11 7RP Tel: 01386 833283

Entries Open: 2nd February 2024 at 18:00 Entries Close: 24th May 2024

REMEMBER YOU CAN ENTER ONLINE. www.gacsystems.com

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Cheques Payable to: UK Agility Ltd

DECLARATION

I agree to submit to and be bound by the rules of the 2024 CSJ Agility Open as stated in this schedule in their present form or as they may be amended from time to time. I also agree to abide by the Regulations of this event and not bring to the Show any dog, which has contracted or been knowingly exposed to any infectious or contagious disease during the 21 days prior to the event. I further declare that I believe to the best of my knowledge that the dogs are not liable to disqualification under these rules. I also accept that I enter and attend this event at my own risk.

	Opening date for entries: 2 nd February 2024	
Signature: _	Date:	
	(This entry is not valid unless signed, dated, and submitted with correct fees by closing date)	