

International Windsprite Club New England Fall Specialty Show October 17- 19, 2025

FRIDAY - October 17th

Top o' The Hill Farm (Private farm, no internet presence) **187 Groton Road, Ayer, MA 01432**

'Qualify to Race' & Puppy Runs ONLY 3:30-5:30 pm

SATURDAY – October 18th Gemini Dog Training 53 Ayer Road, Littleton, MA

Agility – 8:00 am, first dog on the line at 8:30 Rally 10:30 am (after Agility finishes) Conformation 11:00 am

Lunch will be served from Noon - 1:00 pm

All times are approximate and subject to change, Rally & Conformation may run concurrently in adjacent rings.

SUNDAY – October 19th Top o' The Hill Farm 187 Groton Road, Ayer, MA 01432

Competitive Straight Racing, 8:30 am Mandatory Roll Call for Participants.

You MUST be present for Roll Call in order to race.

IWC and AOK9 sanctioned Race Meet Fun/Qualifying/Individual Runs between programs and at end of day

JUDGES

Conformation: Jennie Hynes Triathlon/Versatility: TBD Rally: Maura Wiser Agility: Sarah Mickle Power

Straight Racing: Donna DeVoist, Lure Operator and Race Secretary

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Show Photographer: Carolyn Chow

Emergency Veterinarian

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ENTRIES/ENTRY FEES

Submit online (preferred) or Postmarked before Early Bird (EB) Deadline - Wed, October 1, 2025 Final Deadline - Wed, October 8, 2025

PLEASE SEE DIRECTIONS FOR ENTRY SUBMISSION ON PAGE 4.

	IWC Member Early Bird	IWC member	Non-member Early Bird	Non-member
Conformation	\$20	\$22	\$25	\$30
Rally	\$20	\$22	\$25	\$30
Coursing/Racing	\$20	\$22	\$25	\$30
Agility	\$20	\$22	\$25	\$30
Total	(\$80)	(\$88)	(\$100)	(\$120)
Package A 4 events	\$65	\$85	none	none
Package B 3 events	\$50	\$65	none	none
Package C 2 events	\$35	\$45	None	none
Multi-Dog max cost	\$120	\$165	None	None

CONFORMATION

Note that intact and altered dogs will compete together. The following classes will be provided for Windsprites and Smooth Windsprites of Longhaired Windsprite descent. Percent Windsprites (50% or greater Windsprite) will be shown with either Longhaired or Smooth, depending on coat type.

Puppy 3 to <6 mos., 6 to <9 mos., 9 to <12 mos., Best Puppy
12 mos. to <18 mos., Bred by Exhibiter, Open, Veterans (9 years +) Winners,
Grand Champion (open only to CH dogs/bitches), Best Veteran Best
Windsprite, Best in Show
Ir. Handling: Pre-Junior 6-10 years old, Junior 11 to 14 years old, Senior 15 to 18 years old

RALLY

Rally competition is open to Windsprites, Smooth Windsprites of Longhaired descent, and % Windsprites (50% or greater Windsprite). Other dogs owned by Windsprite exhibitors or show volunteer workers may enter for exhibition only (FEO).

Rally Intro and Level 1 (Novice) classes will be offered. WCRL rules will be used except that there will be separate classes for Puppies (age 6 months to less than 12 months) and Veteran Dogs (age 9 years and over).

Note that Intro Rally class is not a qualifying class for Versatility and Triathlon.

AGILITY TRIAL

Agility competition is open to Windsprites, Smooth Windsprites of Longhaired descent, and % Windsprites (50% or greater Windsprite). Other dogs owned by Windsprite exhibitors or show volunteer workers may enter for exhibition only (FEO).

The following classes will be provided for Agility:

Game (Fullhouse) Level 1 (=CPE level 1) – Puppy/Beginner, Regular, Veteran, Senior Veteran

Game (Fullhouse) Level 2 (=CPE level 2) – Regular, Veteran, Senior Veteran

Game (Fullhouse) Level 3 (=CPE level 3/4/5) – Regular, Veteran, Senior Veteran

Standard Level 1 (= CPE level 1) – Puppy/Beginner, Regular, Veteran, Senior Veteran Standard Level 2 (=CPE level 2) – Regular, Veteran, Senior Veteran Standard Level 3 (=CPE level 3/4/5) – Regular, Veteran, Senior Veteran

CPE rules will be used, except that there will be separate classes for Veteran Dogs (age 9-<12). Senior Veterans (12+), and Puppy/Beginner (puppies 6 months to <15 months and dogs who have never entered a sanctioned agility trial), who will have lower jump heights and will have 5 seconds extra to complete the course. Veterans jump one jump height below their regular height and compete at their earned level. Senior Veterans may jump 2 jump heights below their regular height and may drop down to any lower level if they choose. A dog may enter any class FEO (no ribbons or placements).

Note that the Puppy/Beginner class is not a qualifying class for Versatility and Triathlon.

STRAIGHT RACING

Racing competition is open to Windsprites, Smooth Windsprites, and % Windsprites (50% or greater Windsprite) over 1 year of age. (Puppies may enter to do practice runs.)

All dogs will be hand slipped. Muzzles and racing blankets will be worn. LGRA racing rules will be in effect. This meet will be held in conjunction with R.A.C.E./AOK9. Information and AOK9 registration application: https://aok9racing.weebly.com/register.html

Any hound that is First Time entered (FTE), or has <u>only</u> Disqualified, Did Not Finish, or Off Course on his racing record or was Disqualified at the previous meet must pass a qualifying run with or without other hounds before being entered in the Official Meet on Sunday, or must run as an individual at the competition on Sunday.

Qualifying runs for competitions in the future, individual runs, and puppy runs will be held between programs and after the meet on Sunday. Qualifying runs and puppy runs will also be held on Friday at Top O'The Hill Farm, 3:30-5:30.

Windsprites entered in Regular competitive races will be eligible for points toward AOK9 titles, as well as "O's" toward IWC titles.

Veterans will be divided into Veterans (9-<12) who race in 2 programs over a full course and Senior Veterans (12+) who race one program over a shortened course.

All dogs must be registered with AOK9 for points toward AOK9 titles. At the meet, IWC will have registration forms available, will collect all AOK9 registrations and the \$2 lifetime registration fee, and will submit the registrations to AOK9. AOK9 does NOT offer a Veterans program, so all Veteran races will be for IWC only. AOK9 registration is not necessary for veterans, puppies, or individual runners.

Note that Individual Runs do not qualify for Triathlon/Versatility: only success in the Competitive Racing will qualify for Triathlon/Versatility.

TRIATHLON/VERSATILITY

TRIATHLON - Award for highest scoring IWC dog or bitch (3 events: Agility OR Rally plus triathlon/versatility conformation competition and racing)

VERSATILITY – Award for highest scoring IWC dog or bitch (4 events: Agility AND Rally plus triathlon/versatility conformation competition and racing)

VETERAN/SENIOR VETERAN TRIATHLON – Award for highest scoring IWC veteran/senior veteran dog or bitch (3 events: Agility OR Rally plus triathlon/versatility conformation competition and racing) **VETERAN/SENIOR VETERAN VERSATILITY** – Award for highest scoring IWC veteran/senior veteran dog

VETERAN/SENIOR VETERAN VERSATILITY – Award for highest scoring IWC veteran/senior veteran dog or bitch (4 events: Agility AND Rally plus triathlon/versatility conformation competition and racing)

ENTRY SUBMISSION DIRECTIONS

PLEASE NOTE: When you click on the links for owner information and dog information entry forms, you will be taken to online fillable forms. You will need to submit a single owner information form, PLUS a separate dog entry form for EACH dog you enter. When you have finished filling out the forms, click SUBMIT at the end of the form. No saving or emailing required, the entry will go directly to the show secretary, and you will receive an email confirmation from JOTFORM.

Owner Info Entry Form: https://form.jotform.com/252593863375166
Dog Info Entry Form: https://form.jotform.com/252593970174162

Please use upper- and lower-case letters when entering dog, owner, breeder names. It makes it easier for the secretary to create the show program. And please check all entries for accuracy, especially correct names for dog, sire, and dam. Contact registrar Sidney Hoblit at treasurer4iwc@gmail.com if you need reprints of registration certificates.

Payment may be made via PayPal/credit card (can be done directly from owner entry form), Venmo (send to @International-WindspriteClub). Or you may mail a check made out to IWC and send to Sidney Hoblit, 33 Pine Grove Rd, Nottingham PA 19362

If you have questions about the entry forms, please contact one of the show secretaries.

GENERAL INFORMATION

We ask everyone to **please** be careful to clean up after their dogs, so that we will be able to use these grounds in the future. NOTE: The mats at Gemini require crate pads and pads under chairs. Clean up materials and detailed instructions will be available. Please potty your dogs before each run – especially the puppies.

Agility, Conformation and Rally will be held indoors on mats. Racing will be held outdoors on grass, rain or shine. Weather in New England for October is unpredictable; you should be prepared for anything. Bring appropriate attire for you and your dog for all weather conditions.

Also, please bring water, water bowls, crates, a pad for under your crate at Gemini, and shade for your dogs and a chair for yourself.

VOLUNTEER SIGN-UP

All events will require volunteers to help with making sure that the show runs smoothly. We'll also need help with set up and breakdown on each day. Please volunteer to help ensure we start early so we can end early. Watch the IWC Facebook pages for signups. Thank you.

SEMI-CATERED/SEMI-POTLUCK LUNCH SATURDAY

Catered Main Dish: Sign-up on the entry form. (Dish to be announced.) \$8 per person or you may bring your own lunch. We also ask people to bring a drink, appetizer, salad, side dish, or dessert to share for lunch. The IWC will provide plates/cups/napkins/silverware. Please sign-up in advance to let us know what you are bringing at: http://www.luckypotluck.com/potluck/IWCNE2025

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

All entries for all events will be ONLINE SUBMISSIONS VIA JOTFORM and must be received on or before final due date (October 8th). ~ There will be NO day of show entries for any event ~

Refunds for entry fees are subject to committee approval and a \$5 recording fee per entry. Entry fees shall not be refunded in the event that a dog is disqualified, excused, or barred from competition. If, because of riots, civil disturbances or other acts beyond the control of the management, it is impossible to complete the shows, no refund of the entry fee will be made.

Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry fee. The IWC will add a \$25.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check. Subsequent returned checks from the same exhibitor may result in their being put on a CASH ONLY basis.

Errors on entry blanks. Owners are responsible for errors in making out entry forms, whoever may make such errors, and no entry fee will be refunded in the event of such errors.

Time of judging is printed in this Premium List. No further Judging schedule will be mailed. No Judging Program will be mailed for this event.

Dogs need only be present for scheduled judging and will be released if not needed for further judging. IWC will not be responsible or obligated to furnish any service through a public-address system or stewards or runners for the purpose of calling or locating dogs that are not brought into the ring when required.

Judges need not wait for any dog holding up a class. Owners or agents alone are responsible for the presence of their dogs in the judging rings.

All dogs present must be held on leash or confined to their crates, expen, or vehicle except when being judged.

IWC will use due care and diligence for the welfare of dogs and exhibitors, but will not be responsible for, nor assume any liability in the event of an accident or misfortune to either dogs or exhibitors, or their families participating in this show, and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children.

Note - IWC is not responsible for lost or stolen articles. Please check your crating area before you leave.

There are indoor restroom facilities at Gemini Dog Training on Saturday. There will be a porta-potty on site at Top o' The Hill Farm on Sunday with plenty of hand sanitizer.

ACCOMMODATIONS

- **The Boxboro Regency**, Rating 7.2 miles, Dist. From Littleton 4.2 Dist. from Ayer 8.2 miles o 242 Adams Place, Boxboro, MA 978-263-8701
- Nashoba Valley Inn & Suites, Rating 6.1, Dist. From Littleton 4.7 Dist. from Ayer 0.8 miles on 18 Fitchburg Rd, Ayer, MA 978-772-0797
- The Minuteman Inn, Rating -7.4, Dist. From Littleton 6.3, Dist. from Ayer 13 miles
 - o 71 Hosmer St, Acton, MA 978-223-2995
- **Motel 6,** Rating 11.7, Dist. From Littleton 8, Dist. from Ayer 13.9 miles
 - o 48 Commercial St, Leominster 978-228-3644
- Sonesta Select Boston, Rating 7.6, Dist. From Littleton 11.3, Dist. from Ayer 17.2 miles
 - o 30 Industrial Ave, Lowell, MA 978-458-7575
- **Motel 6**, Rating 6.4, Dist. From Littleton 12.27, Dist. from Ayer 15.8 miles
 - o 2 Progress Ave, Nashua 603-889-4151

BNB recommendation from George Mora. This is the place she stayed last year. Located in Pepperell, so it's convenient to both venues. Dog friendly (with an upcharge). Huge fenced yard, owners have a sweet Newfie girl. Highly recommend. https://www.airbnb.com/rooms/962385677799661566.

Please review YELP or other sites for hotel reviews for additional information before making your selection. Reach out to Andrea Rogers (Wildwill123@msn.com) if you have questions or need help with accommodations.

JUDGE'S BIOS

Conformation: Jennie Hynes

Jennie is an AKC judge in Beagles, Whippets, Collies, Shetland Sheepdogs and Jr. Showmanship

Agility: Sarah Power

Sarah is a trainer for Gemini Dogs. Certified Trainer KPA-CTP, CPDT-KA. Sarah has been an accomplished dog agility competitor with her Dachshunds and is a TDAA Regional Master Judge.

Rally: Maura Wiser

Maura has been competing in Rally since 2013 in WCRL, AKC, and UKC. She has competed in many dog sports in multiple venues such as traditional obedience, agility, scentwork, dock diving, and retriever hunt tests.

Additional Information for Rally and Agility

This is general information.

RALLY events follow WCRL Rally rules. (Rallydogs.com)

Dogs do not need to be registered with USDAA. Qualifying scores are for IWC only.

If you just want to participate without scoring let the judge know you want to do FEO (For Exposition only)

Dogs must be shown in a collar of one of the following types:

- Flat buckle
- · Snap collar
- Limited slip collar (e.g., Martingale)
- Standard harness (e.g., back-clip harness that doesn't tighten if dog pulls)

Treats are allowed at specific exercises only.

Intro^{2.1}—The focus is on moving through a smooth-flowing course with the dog on-leash while testing proficiency in the basic exercises of heel, sit, stand, down, front, and finish. This class is designed as a positive introduction to Rally sport for those who have just completed training of obedience fundamentals. An Intro course has 10 exercise signs, which includes the bonus exercise sign^{2.2}.

Level 1—The focus is on performing a course designed to demonstrate a basic foundation in teamwork in the fundamental exercises required for building a strong bond between handler and dog. The moderate length course tests proficiency in performance of a variety of turns and basic exercises demonstrating sit, stand, down, front, and finish with the dog on-leash. A Level 1 course has 14 – 16 exercise signs, which includes the bonus exercise sign.

AGILITY follows CPE (Canine Performance Agility) rules. (CPE.dog)

Dogs do not need to be registered with CPE. Qualifying scores are for IWC only.

Dogs run "naked" or with a flat buckle collar with no tags. For FEO toys are allowed in the ring as long as they are not thrown. Food is allowed for FEO also.