



## **Junior Handler Just For Fun Agility League Purpose Bloomington Obedience Training Club**

### **League Dates January to March 2008**

Sunday, January 20  
Sunday, January 27  
Sunday, February 10  
Sunday, February 17

Sunday, March 9  
Sunday, March 16  
Sunday, March 30 snow date

### **Purposes:**

- ◆ Promote positive dog ownership and involvement in agility (and later possibly adding additional dog sports -- rally, obedience, junior showmanship, tracking, fly ball, etc.) to junior handlers and their families.
- ◆ Encourage active participation (and club membership) in BOTC programs by junior handlers and their parents.
- ◆ Reach the Southern Metro area 4-H youth involved in 4-H agility (there are currently about 1000 kids in Minnesota 4-H agility who have no connection to a local dog club).
- ◆ Give junior handlers additional opportunity to improve their training and handling skills in a youth-friendly environment, enabling them to more easily transition to regular (adult oriented) class training programs and trials.
- ◆ Develop future potential trainers and participants in the sports of agility and obedience training.
- ◆ Compliment and support the area's existing junior handler agility and obedience clubs (MAC, SPDTC, TCOTC, and CACM in St. Cloud) by offering a program that will enhance rather than compete with their current efforts.
- ◆ Promote camaraderie, friendship, and good sportsmanship amongst junior handlers.