

## **Camping at the AAC Nationals**

Presently we only have enough space to accommodate about twenty campsites. We are in discussion with the property owners to allow for more space but at this time we cannot guarantee that more will be given. It was a struggle to get the number of spots that we have and we are thrilled to have gotten those.

The property owners (the venue is privately owned, not a fairground or community park) have expressed concerns with onsite camping problems that they have had to deal with in the past. These concerns include late night noise, trash and litter not being disposed of properly and RVs emptying waste tanks onsite. As you can well imagine, you too would be hesitant to allow people to camp in your backyard if you had to deal with such experiences.

In an effort to alleviate these concerns, those staying onsite will be required to sign a form that commits them to specific onsite behavioural guidelines. Additionally, you will also be required to leave a \$100.00 security deposit should it be required for possible problems. Without incident, the deposits will be returned.

### Site Facilities

While the property is in many ways ideal for the needs of our sport, it is not well equipped for camping. **There are no services available.** There are no hook-ups of any kind and no washroom and shower facilities available to campers; **consequently there will be no tent camping available onsite.** Those staying onsite must have self-contained RVs that provide for their own power, water, shower and sewage needs containment.

### Booking a Site

**We are not offering pre-booking for onsite camping.** In the interest of fairness to all, sites will be allotted through a Lottery selection process. The space we have should accommodate about twenty RVs. There will be a per night fee of \$35.00 per site. Sites will be available from Wednesday August 15<sup>th</sup> (time yet to be determined) till Sunday evening August 19<sup>th</sup>. Anyone who is interested in participating in the Lottery must declare his or her interest by e-mailing me a note with the following information:

Name	Home phone number	Type and length of trailer
Will you be using a generator?	RV or Trailer Plate ID	
Number of people	Approximate number of dogs	

Competitors have until July 1<sup>st</sup> to submit their interest in the Lottery process. On July 2<sup>nd</sup> those selected will be contacted and they will have until July 15<sup>th</sup> to forward there signed agreement, camping fee and security deposit. Anyone who does not meet the deadline will forfeit his or her spot and the next alternate will be offered the site. Alternates will then have two weeks to comply in order to secure the spot.

It is strongly advised that you make alternative arrangements at an offsite location in case you are not selected in the Lottery.

### Offsite Camping

The Nationals website has a list of local campgrounds that are very close by, most in the 15 minute range, that offer services and features to suit any taste and budget. I've visited a few and found them to be very comfortable and accommodating.

Best regards,

Craig Eagleson