Dates: July 9 or 10 - 12, 2020
EOJ Website: [To be announced]
Location: Hakunila’s Sportpark in Vantaa at Luotikuja 2, 01200 Vantaa, Finland

Junior Eligibility:
- U12 - under 12 years old (2009 and younger)
- It is the year in which the handler has a birthday that is taken into account, not the actual date of birth.
- Junior must have an AKC Junior number
- Junior must be a US resident and possess a current United States passport

Guardians:
- All juniors must be accompanied by a parent or responsible adult at least 21 years or older who possess a valid Passport. Non parent guardians must be approved by the Team Management.

Dog Eligibility:
- Must have the AKC titles OA and OAJ at time of application
- The minimum age of any competing dog is 24 months
- Must have a current rabies vaccination
- Must be microchipped with an ISO approved chip (15 digit microchip)
- Must be microchipped BEFORE the latest rabies vaccination
- The microchip number must be included on the rabies certificate along with the implant date
- Must be treated for tapeworm 1 to 5 days prior to entry into Finland

Height Divisions:
- Small: 12” jump height for dogs 13 ¾” and under at the shoulder
- Medium: 16” for dogs 16 ¾” and under at the shoulder
- Large: 24” for dogs over 16 ¾” at the shoulder

Number of Dogs on the team:
- The maximum number of dogs on the team is 24. [The height division of these dogs to be announced.]

EOJ - Individual Events:
- This is divided into 3 categories: Large (24”), Medium (16”) and Small (12”)
- These 3 categories are separated by the handlers age: U12, U15 and U19 (18 years and younger)
- 1 jumping course and 1 standard agility course are run by each handler/dog team

EOJ - Team Events:
- Teams are combined with U12, U15 and U19
- Categories: Large, Medium and Small
- 1 jumping course and 1 standard agility course are run by each handler/dog team

Costs:
- AKC will pay for the entry fee for each dog and for the handler’s uniform
- Handlers will pay all other expenses. Other than the entry fees and uniforms, this trip will be self-funded. We will be fundraising to defray costs but everyone should be aware that all expenses may be yours including but not limited to air fare, dog travel expenses, hotels, car rentals and food.

Applications:
- Applications must be accompanied by two competition videos which must be submitted to the Team Coaches no later than February 21, 2020. Applications may be submitted prior to submitting videos. The videos should be recent and consist of a Standard and Jumpers run at the height the dog would be running at the EOJ. These videos may be uploaded on YouTube (public or private) and the link forwarded to Susan Cochran, Team Coach at greatdogsagility@gmail.com and Kaitlyn Dreese, Asst. Team Coach at deadliestborders@gmail.com. Team Announcement will be made on or before March 1, 2020.
HELPFUL INFORMATION

Scholarship/Grant Program: Through the generosity of our agility community, we are able to offer financial assistance based strictly on financial need and income. A junior must complete an application; both the junior & parents must sign the application; and proof of income must be provided. The application will be available on the Team Website.

Agility Angel: Team USA has our very own Agility Angel. One or more junior is awarded each year with a merit based grant. The Agility Angel will give us a topic which the juniors may write an essay in hopes to win this grant. The topic is announced upon selection of the team.

Team Practice: Team practice will be held May 23-24, 2020 at All Star Dog Sports in Blue Springs, MO. This is a climate controlled indoor facility with excellent artificial turf. Practice is not mandatory but team members are highly encouraged to attend.

Hotel: Team Management will secure hotel rooms for the team. Team Members and their parent/guardian are expected to stay at the team hotel.

Travel Agent: The team has a travel agent who specializes in travel with dogs. The use of this travel agent is not required but suggested as traveling to Europe with a dog can be tricky.

Veterinarian: The team has access to a very experienced veterinarian for completing all of the dogs paperwork for traveling to Europe. There are some hoops to complete this paperwork but we have step by step assistance with this process.

Preparation: In addition to our team practice, we will provide skills for you to work on. Team management is also available for personal coaching and video reviews. We want the team to be prepared!