

Claire Duder

My name is Claire Duder. I am currently serving as the Regional Director for Ontario East, a position I have held on and off for the last 14 years. In my real life, I am a companion animal veterinarian, practicing in Muskoka.

I run agility with my Border Terriers: my current competition dogs are Rory and Dylan. Rory's mother and grandmother were also regular competitors. Dylan's daughter, Stevie, will be starting her competitive career any minute. COVID led to my dabbling in some other dog sports, so we also do scent, disc, and rally. None terrible well, but all with great enthusiasm.

I am passionate about this sport, this organization, and this region. I have attended almost every single Regional event since they started being a thing, and many National events from coast to coast. Regionals are my favourite event of the year, as I get to see so many of my friends strut their stuff, and I can scream and clap and cheer in person. I have also had the opportunity to visit almost every club in Ontario at one point or another, either to trial, or to do the site and equipment checks that help clubs keep the game safe for dog and handler alike.

During my tenure on the AAC Board of Directors, I have worked on such important projects as the Rulebook, and the Judge's Handbook. I have also submitted a number of articles to On Course, and have participated in various committee functions. I look forward to the next term, working with the diverse, dedicated, and hardworking members of the Board.

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