Para District Obedience Dog Club Inc



Sideshow Rally Flyball Competition

CAF1009

Saturday 4th September 2021

Jenkins Reserve, Saints Rd Salisbury 5108

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**Welcome**

Para District Obedience Dog Club welcome and thank you for coming to our competition. We wish you the best of luck in the competition and hope you and your dogs enjoy yourselves. Run fast and clean!

**Covid Procedures**

Covid restrictions are required for this competition. No competitor should attend the event if they are feeling unwell or are currently required to be in isolation or quarantine. All competitors and officials are required to check-in using the QR codes available around the grounds.  Manual check is available under the veranda. Hand sanitiser will be available but please bring your own mask.

Masks are not required outside however please observe the 1.5metre social distancing requirements. Masks are required when in the office, canteen and shed (unless a legitimate exemption applies). Maximum capacity under the veranda is 25 people. Spectators are allowed but must observe the 1 person per 2 square metres distancing requirement.

**Thank you**

There are a number of people that need to be thanked for their assistance with this competition.

Firstly, the members of the Para District Obedience Dog Club Flyball Team but in particular those that have been part of the organising and instructing team.

Secondly we would like to thank the following people who are a vital part of the success of the competition

* AFA Judges: Catherine Stroop and Martin Watt
* AFA Representative: Carmel Nottle
* Time Keepers and Stewards: Teresa, Alli, Eddie, Donna, Gaynor, Neil
* Catering: Stuart Kennedy, Julian Stokes and Mary Dalla Valle
* Prize Sponsors: Bow Wow Gourmet Dog Treats

**General Information**

This event is sanctioned by the Australian Flyball Association Inc. As such, it will be run in accordance with the “Rules and Policies of the Australian Flyball Association Inc.”

Apart from the dogs involved in the current race, all dogs must be held effectively (either on lead or crated).

* Bitches in season are not permitted on the grounds.
* Any dog that is considered unfit for racing, either by a Veterinarian or Judge, will be excused from the competition.
* No dog related advertising other than that used by the competition organiser is permitted on display (eg, bags, umbrellas, clothing etc.)

**Rules for Race Meetings**

**Code of Ethics**

1. One of the objectives of the AFA is to promote co-operation and good sportsmanship in the training and exhibition of dogs. Co-operation and good sportsmanship should not be recognised in passive observance, but as a way of life in training and competition. Participants shall at all times be courteous and friendly. At no time should they show displeasure with a dog, a Judge, exhibitor, AFA representative, sponsor, host or spectator, in or out of the ring. Participants should never conduct themselves in a manner which would bring discredit to the sport of Flyball. As a participant, whether exhibitor, trainer, Judge, host club or AFA representative, you typify the sport of Flyball.
2. Training and exhibiting shall be carried out by such methods that are in the best interest of the dog and the sport of Flyball.
3. Abuse or severe disciplining of a dog (e.g. shaking, smacking, kicking etc.) is not in the best interest of the sport of Flyball. Abuse may include the running of dogs that are under18 months of age (Note – dogs under 18 months of age that started racing before 17/10/20 AGM motion are exempt from the 18 months rule) or exceeding the 40 heat running limit in a day.
4. Participants shall always follow the rules and policies, showing knowledge and an understanding of the same.
5. Any individual or club in good standing with the Australian Flyball Association Inc. may file a protest or prefer charges against another individual or club for alleged misconduct, in or out of the ring, prejudicial to the best interest of the sport of Flyball as provided for under Section 2.2. Protests filed during competition should be done is such a manner as not to bring discredit to the sport of Flyball.

**Misconduct**

Misconduct shall include, but not be limited to, abusive or foul language, demonstration of dissatisfaction with a Judge’s decision, mistreatment or inhumane treatment of a dog, demonstration of poor sportsmanship, wilful violation of the rules with the intent to gain an unfair advantage or any other behaviour or altercation that would leave a spectator or exhibitor with an unfavourable opinion of the sport of Flyball.

**Protests**

During race meeting, protests may only be lodged before the start of the next heat. Protests that are not lodged before the start of the next heat must be submitted in writing to the AFA. The AFA will notify all parties of its decisions, recommendations and/or actions.

**Changeover Times**

Being a handicap competition, the changeover time is set at 3 minutes in order to allow extra time for the time keepers’ calculations and to reset the times.

From the time the winner of the last heat in a race is declared by the Judge and the flag is raised in the centre of the ring, teams will have this time to set up their box, adjust jumps to the correct height and give some dogs practice prior to the start of the next race. If a team is ready to race within this time, please indicate such to the Judge.

If a team is not ready to race within reasonable time, the heat will be forfeited and the win awarded to the opposing team.

Round Robin Handicap Racing Format

Rules for the conduct of Round Robin Handicap Racing are the AFA rules for Round Robin Format with following variations:

* To accommodate handicap structure there will be no restart for first false start. Where the start dog from either team false starts that dog must run again as a 5th dog.
* The sound system on the Signature lights is to be disconnected (or programmed to be silent) during the start sequence so that both teams receive light signals only. (If sound is not disconnected then under the handicap structure the first team only receives a sound countdown). It must be reconnected after the first team’s start to signal bad crosses.
* Handicap times will be calculated for each and every race based on the difference in seed time of both teams.
* Breakout Times for every team will also be based on their seed time minus 1 second. All teams (including Division 1) will have a Breakout time in this format.

**Open Class Racing Format**

1. Except where otherwise specified in this Appendix rules for Open Class format racing are the same as for the equivalent Regular Class format (Round Robin or Elimination).
2. Open Class format racing may not be conducted at a race meeting if only one team nominates for Open Class.
3. Dogs entered in an Open Class team need not be from the same Club.
4. A dog entered in an Open Class team may also be entered in a Regular Class team at the same race meeting.
5. The 90-day exclusion in Section 2.4 does not apply to a dog entered in an Open Class team. This means that there is no restriction on:
   1. A dog that races in an Open Class team at a race meeting racing in a Regular Class team at subsequent race meetings: or
   2. A dog racing in Open Class at a race meeting when the dog has raced in Regular Class at a previous race meeting.
6. AFA title points will be awarded to dogs in Open Class on the same basis as Regular Class, namely, two points for a clean run win or tie and one point for a clean run.
7. Open Class teams may not claim Australian Records.
8. Open Class teams may not participate in Champions Trophy Racing.
9. Where insufficient entries are received for Open Class the host club may combine Open Class and Veterans Class. Where Open Class and Veterans Class are combined in a single division the maximum number of races and heats allowed for Veterans Class format racing apply.
10. Open Class teams are not eligible for Flyball Team of the Year and teams entered in Open Class do not count towards Flyball Club of the Year or Novice Flyball Club of the Year.
11. Only team names showing on the AFA website on the Teams Page under the club heading “Open” may be used when entering a team in Open Class. Open Class team names may be used more than once and need not be re-registered for every use.
12. The jump height of every dog entered in an Open Class team must be entered on the team entry form.
13. Open Class teams may set jumps for each heat at any height from seven inches up to the Jump height of the dog with the lowest Jump Height of all dogs in the same team running in the heat.
14. Open Class teams are subject to their own divisional draw.
15. Host clubs may spread Open Class races throughout the race meeting programme.

**Handicap Racing Countback**

For handicap racing, the winner using the countback provisions will be determined by calculating the fastest adjusted time from the head to head race between those teams involved in the tie, and then applying the handicap of the slowest team involved in the tie. Any breakout times cannot be included in the calculations.

**Signal Cards**

Yellow, red or black cards will be used by Judges to indicate particular offences as follows (all offences will be noted on member’s or dog’s record):

**Yellow Card**

Indicates a formal “caution” for any of the following offences:

1. Not being courteous and friendly in manner.
2. Purposely delaying the restart of a heat
3. For showing displeasure with a dog, a Judge, Stewards, AFA representative, host club, sponsor, other AFA member or spectator whilst in the ring. This includes showing dissent by words or actions.
4. Demonstration of poor sportsmanship
5. For entering the ring to set up for a new race before the Judge has declared the previous race.
6. Interference where no contact is made with another dog. (On trial 1st June 2021)

Judges should: Hold up a Yellow playing card-sized card (preferably laminated) to signal an offence. Describe the specific offence to the AFA Member and Team Captain. Fill in the Judges Report Form and forward to AFA within 48 hours.

**Red Card**

Indicates to an AFA member that they or their dog are to be “Sent Off” for 3 heats for any of the following offences:

1. Any behaviour or altercation that would leave a spectator or exhibitor with an unfavourable opinion of the sport of Flyball.
2. Mistreatment of a dog. (Includes any unreasonable treatment short of violence that causes dog to display obvious and sustained distress);
3. Abuse (including abusive or foul language) directed at another competitor, official or spectator.
4. Demonstration of dissatisfaction with a Judge’s decision. This includes approaching stewards or timekeepers to question them about the decision.
5. Interference where contact is made with another dog. (On trial 1st June 2021)
6. A Red Card will also represent a second incident of any offence listed under yellow card.

Judges should: Hold up a Red playing card-sized card (preferably laminated) to signal an offence. Describe the specific offence to the AFA Member and Team Captain. Fill in the Judges report Form and forward to the AFA within 48 hours.

**Black Card**

Indicates to the AFA Member that they or their dog is to be excused from the remainder of the race meeting for any of the following offences:

1. Wilful violation of the rules with the intent to gain an unfair advantage.
2. Aggression whether it be between dogs or handlers. It will also include a dog that is suspected of aggression.
3. Inhumane treatment of a dog includes racing a dog under 18 months of age or exceeding the 40 heat running limit in a day. Whilst carding for racing a dog under 18 months of age is a penalty against the handler the dog will be dismissed from the competition and all heats run with the dog will be forfeited. (See Exemption Section 2.1c). Where the 40 heat running limit is exceeded in a day the black card is issued against the handler for abuse, the dog cannot run any more heats and any/every heat the dog ran beyond 40 is forfeited, while heats run up to 40 will still stand.
4. A black card is also used for a third incident of any offence listed under the yellow card and a second incident under the red card.

Judges should: Hold up a Black playing card-sized card (preferably laminated) to signal an offence. Describe the specific offence to the AFA Member and Team Captain. Advise the member that he/she or their dog is “Excused for the remainder of the Competition or Demonstration” and that the offense will be reported to the AFA Committee for consideration. Fill in the Judges Report Form and forward to AFA within 48 hours.

AFA Members must: Comply with Judges’ instructions to immediately exit the racing ring for the remainder of the Competition or Demonstration.

Black Card offenses for member misbehaviour are serious offences that could result in disciplinary action under the AFA Constitution. Black Card offences for Dog Aggression will result in the dog being automatically excluded from AFA Sanctioned events until the AFA Committee has made a decision about disciplinary action.

**Veterinary Service**

The nearest veterinary services are:

Salisbury Park Vets4Pets: 1914 Main North Rd, Salisbury Park SA 5109, Phone (08) 8258 0168. Open Sat 9am – 1pm

Golden Grove Vets4Pets: 103 The Golden Way, Wynn Vale SA 5127, Phone (08) 8289 3722. Open 24 hours

**Teams**

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| **Team** | Para Doggy Dashers | | **Declared Seed Time** | | 21.100 |
| **Captain** | Scott Cousins | | **Box Loader** | |  |
| **Dogs Name** | **CRN** | **Jump Height** | **Handler Name** | **CRN** | **Breed** |
| Sasha | 2817A | 10 | Scott Cousins | 2817 | Border Collie |
| Itty Bitty | 2590B | 10 | Jess Huser | 2590 | Australian Shepherd |
| Loki | 754B | 12 | Julian Stokes | 754 | Australian Shepherd |
| Shelby | 2984A | 10 | Brett Thomas | 2984 | Australian Shepherd |
| Abyss | 2590A | 7 | Jess Huser | 2590 | Staff Bull Terrier |

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| **Team** | Cruised Over | | **Declared Seed Time** | | 22.000 |
| **Captain** | Melissa Jolley | | **Box Loader** | | Simon Rowe |
| **Dogs Name** | **CRN** | **Jump Height** | **Handler Name** | **CRN** | **Breed** |
| Astro | 1151B | 6 | Martin Watt | 1151 | Border Collie x JRT |
| Rosie | 2706A | 6 | Melissa Jolley | 2706 | Cairn Terrier |
| Nessie | 2344B | 7 | Andrea Masterman | 2344 | Border Collie |
| Eddie | 2706B | 7 | Melissa Jolley | 2706 | Collie Cross |
| Presto | 909B | 6 | Timothy Hall | 909 | Nova Scotia |

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| **Team** | Para Barking Brigade | | **Declared Seed Time** | | 23.700 |
| **Captain** | Christina Dalla Valle | | **Box Loader** | |  |
| **Dogs Name** | **CRN** | **Jump Height** | **Handler Name** | **CRN** | **Breed** |
| Jess | 758B | 10 | Christina Dalla Valle | 758 | Australian Shepherd |
| Treble | 2166B | 12 | Alex Stapledon | 2166 | Australian Shepherd |
| Scarlett | 1092B | 10 | Michelle Stokes | 1092 | Australian Shepherd |
| Pickles | 2740B | 11 | Karen Walker | 2740 | Australian Shepherd |
| Tessa | 2740A | 11 | Karen Walker | 2740 | Australian Shepherd |

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| **Team** | Para Plus | | **Declared Seed Time** | | 24.000 |
| **Captain** | Rebecca Knapp | | **Box Loader** | |  |
| **Dogs Name** | **CRN** | **Jump Height** | **Handler Name** | **CRN** | **Breed** |
| Bunji | 2507B | 13 | Carmel Nottle | 2507 | Labrador Retriever |
| Eddie | 2507C |  | Carmel Nottle | 2507 | Labrador Retriever |
| Quill | 2166C |  | Alex Stapledon | 2166 | Australian Shepherd |
| Rumble | 657C | 10 | Rebecca Knapp | 657 | Australian Shepherd |
| Ruby | 2706D |  | Melissa Jolley | 2706 | Cairn Terrier |

**Schedule and Run Order**

7.00am Arrival and set-up

8.00am Check in and vetting

8.45am Briefing

9.00am Racing commences

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| **RUNNING ORDER** | | | | | | | | | | | |  |
| **Race** | **Div** | **Left Lane** | **H/cap** | **B'out** |  | **Right Lane** | **H/cap** | **B'out** | **Heat** | **Judge** | **C/O** |  |
| **1** | 1 | Para Plus | 2.80 | 23.0 | v | Para Doggy Dashers | 0.00 | 23.0 | 5 | Martin | 3 min |  |
| **2** | 1 | Cruised Over | 0.00 | 22.7 | v | Para Barking Brigade | 1.70 | 22.7 | 5 | Catherine | 3 min |  |
| **10 MIN BREAK / TRAINING IN RING** | | | | | | | | | | | |  |
| **3** | 1 | Para Doggy Dashers | 0.00 | 22.7 | v | Para Barking Brigade | 2.50 | 22.7 | 5 | Martin | 3 min |  |
| **4** | 1 | Para Plus | 2.00 | 23.0 | v | Cruised Over | 0.00 | 23.0 | 5 | Catherine | 3 min |  |
| **10 MIN BREAK / TRAINING IN RING** | | | | | | | | | | | |  |
| **5** | 1 | Para Barking Brigade | 0.00 | 23.0 | v | Para Plus | 0.30 | 23.0 | 5 | Martin | 3 min |  |
| **6** | 1 | Para Doggy Dashers | 0.00 | 21.0 | v | Cruised Over | 0.80 | 21.0 | 5 | Catherine | 3 min |  |
| **HALF HOUR BREAK / TRAINING IN RING** | | | | | | | | | | | |  |
| **7** | 1 | Para Doggy Dashers | 0.00 | 23.0 | v | Para Plus | 2.80 | 23.0 | 3 | Martin | 3 min |  |
| **8** | 1 | Para Barking Brigade | 1.70 | 22.7 | v | Cruised Over | 0.00 | 22.7 | 3 | Catherine | 3 min |  |
| **10 MIN BREAK / TRAINING IN RING** | | | | | | | | | | | |  |
| **9** | 1 | Para Barking Brigade | 2.50 | 22.7 | v | Para Doggy Dashers | 0.00 | 22.7 | 3 | Martin | 3 min |  |
| **10** | 1 | Cruised Over | 0.00 | 23.0 | v | Para Plus | 2.00 | 23.0 | 3 | Catherine | 3 min |  |
| **10 MIN BREAK / TRAINING IN RING** | | | | | | | | | | | |  |
| **11** | 1 | Para Plus | 0.30 | 23.0 | v | Para Barking Brigade | 0.00 | 23.0 | 3 | Martin | 3 min |  |
| **12** | 1 | Cruised Over | 0.80 | 21.0 | v | Para Doggy Dashers | 0.00 | 21.0 | 3 | Catherine | 3 min |  |
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