

DOVEMBER DASH

FLYBALL COMPETITION

Saturday, 1st November, 2014



*We give a final salute to
the last of the founding
members of the Fly'dover
team who has now sadly
passed away ~ Jarrah
Shirlock*

*She was ever a fast, keen,
reliable girl who always
did her team proud.
An end of an grand era.
We all still miss you.*

*It is with much
regret that we must
also farewell one of
our very promising
team members ~
Djinn Djinn Brown
who was fatally
injured and granted
eternal rest in August. She was a valuable member of our
team and is greatly missed by all.*



Welcome!



Dover Gardens Kennel & Obedience Club would like to take this opportunity to welcome you all to Dover's Dovember Dash Flyball competition. We wish you all the best of luck and hope you and your furry friends have a load of fun.

There are a number of people to thank for their assistance in running our competition: Martin Watt, Jo Shirlock, Robyn Jackson, the Dover flyball team members and the Dover committee for paying the bills and assisting behind the scenes.

Thanks must go to the following people who play a vital role in the competition:

AFA Judges: Philip Lea (NSW) and Martin Watt (SA)

AFA Representative: Jo Shirlock

Time Keeper's: Damien Tucker & Aline Sinclair

Stewards: The organisers wish to acknowledge our appreciation to all stewards.

Thank you also to those who helped set up the equipment for today's racing.

Sponsorship

We wish to acknowledge our appreciation and thanks to our sponsors:

Goble and Son ~ pet and grain supplies ~
who have generously donated today's prizes.



Jo Shirlock who has supplied the honoured 'Jarrah Award' medallions for the first place winners.

Thank you all!

Amenities

Toilets are at the rear of the building.

Food & Refreshments

There will be a BBQ offering breakfast and lunch; running throughout the competition. Cold and hot drinks also available.

GENERAL INFORMATION

This event is sanctioned by the Australian Flyball Association Inc. It will be run in accordance with the 'Rules and Policies' of the Australian Flyball Association Inc.

GENERAL

Apart from the dogs involved in the current race, all dogs must be held effectively (either on lead, staked in secure ground or crated). No dog is to be tied to the ring (either in or out of the ring).

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.).

CODE OF MISCONDUCT

Code of Ethics:

Cooperation 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. Judge, exhibitor, AFA representative, sponsor, host or spectator in or out of the ring. Never conduct yourself in a manner that would bring discredit to the sport of flyball. As a participant, whether it be exhibitor, trainer, Judge, host or AFA representative, you typify 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, inhumane treatment of a dog, demonstration of poor sportsmanship, wilful violation of the rules with intent to gain an unfair advantage or any other behaviour that would leave a spectator or exhibitor with an unfavourable opinion of the sport of flyball.

Protests:

Should a protest be lodged at a competition, that protest should be lodged before the commencement of the next heat. Further protests shall be submitted in writing to the Australian Flyball Association Inc. for appropriate action.

CHANGEOVER TIME

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 timers).

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. The Judge will give a 30 sec warning. 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.

COMPETITION FORMAT



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 rerun 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 may 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.

Each team will have the opportunity to run against every other team in the event.

Competition points are accumulated by counting 2 points for a win and 1 point for a tie and nil points for a loss of a race. All heats in a round robin race must be run unless it is a best of 5 heats race, to earn round robin points. Eg: the 2 points for a win in a 5 heat race will go to the team that won at least 3 heats in that race. If a team is running a dead race, (the opposing team has pulled itself from the competition, so a team has to run a race of its own) they must complete successfully a minimum of heats eg in a 5 heat race they would have to complete 3 heats, and in a best 3 of five, they would have to complete 3 heats to enable them to earn the 2 points for a round robin win, but must still run all the required heats in that race. If they did not complete these heats, they don't get any round robin points for that race and a loss is recorded on their time sheet. At the end of the day, the team with the most points wins.

At the end of the day, if two or more teams end up with the same amount of round robin points, the winner will be decided using Count Back.



SIGNAL CARDS

YELLOW CARD - indicates formal 'caution' for any of the following offences:

- Not being courteous and friendly in manner.
- Purposefully delaying the start of a heat.
- For showing displeasure with a dog, Judge, Stewards, AFA Representative, host club, sponsor, another AFA member or spectator, in or out of the ring. This includes dissent by word or actions.
- Demonstration of poor sportsmanship.
- For entering the ring to set up for a new race before the Judge has declared the previous race.
- Interference (first offence).

RED CARD - indicates that an AFA member is to be 'sent off' for (3) heats for any of the following offences:

- Any other behaviour or altercation that would leave a spectator or exhibitor with an unfavourable opinion of the sport of flyball.
- Mistreatment of a dog (includes any unreasonable treatment short of violence that causes a dog to display obvious and sustained distress).
- Abusive or foul language.
- Demonstration of dissatisfaction with a Judges decision. This includes approaching stewards or time keepers to question them about the decision.
- Interference (second offence).
- A second incident of any offence listed under the Yellow Card.

BLACK CARD - indicates that an AFA member is to be excused from the remainder of the competition for any of the following offences:

- Wilful violation of the rules with the intent to gain an unfair advantage (this includes sand bagging).
- Aggression whether it is between dogs or handlers. It will also include a dog that is suspected of aggression.
- Inhumane treatment of a dog (including racing a dog under 12 months of age). Whilst this is a penalty against the handler, the dog will be dismissed from the competition and all heats run with that dog will be forfeited.
- A third incident of any offence listed under the Yellow Card and a second incident under the Red Card.

NOTE:

Black Card offences for aggression between dogs and/or handlers will automatically stand down a dog/handler from entering another competition until the AFA Committee has made a decision about the incident. All Black Card offences will be presented to the AFA Committee for discussion and could result in disciplinary action.



TEAM DETAILS

Fly'dover

22.48 Web

Captain: Phil Sanders

Cara	2359A	14"	Border Collie	P. Sanders
Karri	898B	12"	Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever	J. Shirlock
Cosmo	1151A	8"	Jack Russell	M. Watt
Maggie	2542A	10"	Jack Russell X	S. Wright
Scarlet	2297A	11"	Red Heeler	H. Norman
Astro	1151B	10"	Border Collie x Jack Russell Terrier	M. Watt

Para Troopers

23.40 Declared

Captain: Michelle Stokes

Noah	2166A	14"	Australian Shepherd	A. Stapleton
Scarlett	1092B	14"	Australian Shepherd	M. Stokes
Flame	657B	14"	Australian Shepherd	R. Knapp
Jess	758B	14"	Australian Shepherd	C. Dalla Valle
Abyss	2590A	10"	Staffy	B. Huser
Mossy	1071C	14"	Kelpie	M. Kleeman

Para Ball Busters

24.80 Declared

Captain: Linley Nicholson

Brea	2343A	14"	German Shepherd	M. Dalla Valle
Roxy	2284A	14"	Border Collie	S. McMillan
Emjay	1344B	14"	German Shepherd	L. Nicholson
Wally	2584A	7"	Maltese X	A. Bruemmer
Mika	978A	14"	German Shepherd	V. Schmidt
Sheraz	978B	14"	German Shepherd	W. Window

Para Shooters

25.73 Web

Captain: Carmel Nottle

Asha	2274B	14"	Border Collie	L. Stretton
Gypsy	2507A	14"	Labrador	C. Nottle
Bunji	2507B	14"	Labrador	C. Nottle
Hendrix	2517A	10"	Cocker Spaniel	L. Stapleton
Anya	2562A	14"	Kelpie	T. Watkin
Gemma	2553A	14"	Border Collie	S. Jackman

RUNNING ORDER

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Race	Div.	Left Lane	H/cap (secs)	Break Out		Right Lane	H/cap (secs)	Break Out	Heats	Judge	Change overs
1	1	Para Shooters	3.25	24.73	v	Fly'dover	0.00	24.73	5	Phil	3 min.
2	1	Para Troopers	0.00	23.80	v	Para Ball Busters	1.40	23.80	5	Phil	3min.
3	1	Fly'dover	0.00	23.80	v	Para Ball Busters	2.32	23.80	5	Phil	3 min.
4	1	Para Shooters	2.33	24.73	v	Para Troopers	0.00	24.73	5	Martin	3 min.
5	1	Para Ball Busters	0.00	24.73	v	Para Shooters	0.93	24.73	5	Martin	3 min.
6	1	Fly'dover	0.00	22.40	v	Para Troopers	0.92	22.40	5	Phil	3 min.

HALF HOUR BREAK

Race	Div.	Left Lane	H/cap (secs)	Break Out		Right Lane	H/cap (secs)	Break Out	Heats	Judge	Change overs
7	1	Fly'dover	0.00	24.73	v	Para Shooters	3.25	24.73	5	Phil	3 min.
8	1	Para Ball Busters	1.40	23.80	v	Para Troopers	0.00	23.80	5	Phil	3 min.
9	1	Para Ball Busters	2.32	23.80	v	Fly'dover	0.00	23.80	5	Phil	3 min.
10	1	Para Troopers	0.00	24.73	v	Para Shooters	2.33	24.73	5	Martin	3 min.
11	1	Para Shooters	0.93	24.73	v	Para Ball Busters	0.00	24.73	5	Martin	3 min.
12	1	Para Troopers	0.92	22.40	v	Fly'dover	0.00	22.40	5	Phil	3 min.

GOOD LUCK!!

HOPE YOU ALL HAVE A GREAT DAY!