



**COLLIE & ECHO PAIRS COMPETITION**

**TASMANIA 2024**

# **COLLIE & ECHO PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP 2024 - ROUND 4**

**Proudly hosted by  
Tassie Flying Paws Dog Club**

**Saturday July 20th 2024**

Racing commences from 10am

**EVENT LOCATION:  
PONTVILLE PARK,  
GLEN LEA ROAD, PONTVILLE,  
TAS, 7030**



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## Welcome

### Back for More

Three weeks ago, we successfully ran our first indoor and pairs competition, so it is time again to roll-out the mats for our second indoor pairs competition.

We have the same five pairs competing in this competition Round 4 of the 2024 Collie and Echo Pairs Competition.

We thank Robyn for being our Judge for our competition, coming down from New South Wales to assist us again. Robyn was the Judge at the first ever flyball competition in Tasmania.

We have our timekeeping team of Bev, Erin, and Margi on the table, and continue to come to grips with timekeeping and the paperwork.

Again, we have current and new members helping during the competition by taking on various roles and thank them for stepping up.

We have training in the ring again for our up-and-coming flyball dogs and that will be great exposure for them. We have more participants this time so we will do our best to balance access to the ring.

Lunch arrangements are different this time as we do not have access to the canteen. We will have morning and afternoon tea, plus lunch – soup, salad rolls and quiches.

We hope and pray for pleasant weather, even though we are inside, plus good competition and plenty of laughs.

A special thanks to my fellow club members for your assistance and contributions in getting this event up and running.

We will have training on Sunday starting from 10.00am on the mats in the shed and outside if necessary.

**David Strong**

President

Tassie Flying Paws Dog Club Inc.



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## Timetable of Events

Friday – 19 <sup>th</sup> July	
1:00pm – 6.00pm	Layout and marking of the Competition Ring in the Shed.
Saturday – 20 <sup>th</sup> July	
9:00am	Check-in and Measuring
9:30am	Judge's Briefing with Teams
9:45am	Official Welcome
10:00am	Competition commences – Round Robin 1 starts
12:10am	Morning Tea and Training in the Ring
11:30am	Round Robin 1 re-commences
12:40pm	Lunch and Training in the Ring
1:40pm	Round Robin 2 Commences
2:50pm	Afternoon Tea and Training in the Ring
3:10pm	Round Robin 2 re-commences
4:20pm	End of the Competition
4:25pm	Pack up except for mats, jumps and boxes
4:45pm	Presentation
Sunday – 21 <sup>st</sup> July	
10:00am	Normal Club Training – beginners, intermediates, and team dogs
12:00 noon or earlier	Pack up mats and other equipment



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## Competition Rules and Regulations

The competition is an open handicap pairs event where each team will compete in a fixed three heats per race. Each team will race all the other teams twice. This means if a dog were to run in every heat will would compete in 24 heats and therefore within the 40 heats per day maximum as set by the AFA.

The competition timetable is listed in the section Competition Timetable of this catalogue.

It is an AFA sanctioned event and will be run in accordance with the Rules and Policies of the Australian Flyball Association (AFA). Those rules and policies will be adhered to by AFA officials, AFA members and AFA volunteer members on the day.

Everyone involved in the competition are reminded of their responsibilities as AFA members in terms of the Code of Ethics, respect for officials and each other and that this is a public event where flyball is on display. There will be other events occurring at the same time at Pontville Park.

### Special Race Rules for the Competition

The special rules for this competition as a round robin handicap open racing are the AFA rules for round robin format of racing with the following variations:

- To accommodate the handicap structure **there will be no restart** for first false start. Where the starting dog from either team false starts that **dog must run again as the 3<sup>rd</sup> dog**.
- The **sound system on the Signature lights will be disconnected** (or programmed to silence) **during the start sequence so that both teams receive light signals only**. 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/declared times of both teams.
- Breakout times for every team will also be based on their seed/declared time minus 0.5 second. All teams will have a Breakout time in this format.
- If the **handicap is greater than 10 seconds** between two teams, then **scratch racing format** will be used and the heat times will be manually calculated to determine the winner.
- If there is any malfunction with the timing system an appropriate work around will be determined, worst case scenario is whistle and stopwatches.
- **There is no need to changeover flyball boxes** in the ring as all the teams from the same club.



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- **Change-over time** will be 90 seconds. The Judge will indicate when there are 30 seconds remaining.

## **Determination of the Competition Winner**

The following competition points are awarded for each round robin race:

- 2 points to the winning team (Pairs 1 point)
- 1 point for each team for tied races (Pairs .5 points)
- 0 points to the losing team (Pairs same)

The team with the highest points at the end of the competition is the winner. In the event that two or more teams have the same number of competition points then for handicap racing, the winner using count back 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.

If the competition is abandoned under AFA's Race Meeting Cancellation Policy, results may not be declared unless at least one round robin has been completed. In which case the winner will be declared from the standings as of the last completed round robin.

## **First Aid and Vets**

We have on-site first aid kits for both humans and dogs and Helen Strong is the first aid contact.

The first aid kits will be at the judge's table.

Most of the residential vets do not open on weekends.

The nearest vet is open 24 hours 7 days and is:

Animal Emergency Service

37 Derwent Park Road

Moonah

1300 302 912



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## Officials

### Competition Officials

No Flyball competition can happen without AFA qualified officials, and we thank the following officials for assisting us, particularly those who have come from the mainland, Robyn.

#### **AFA Judge**

Robyn Addie

Unleashed Flyball  
AFA Supervisory Judge

#### **AFA Representative**

David Strong

Tassie Flying Paws Dog Club  
Tas AFA Representative

#### **Timekeepers**

Bev Thompson

Tassie Flying Paws Dog Club

Erin Davis

Tassie Flying Paws Dog Club

Margi Evers

Tassie Flying Paws Dog Club



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## **Competition Stewards**

Likewise, thank you to our volunteer stewards who will make life easy for the dog handlers as they will not have to undertake the duties of box or line stewards during the competition.

When this team needs a break can members of the Club and other Clubs undertake this role for us.

## **Competition Box Loaders, Ball Shaggers & Assistants**

Flyball is a team sport that requires assistance from other team members so that the team dogs and handlers can perform at their best. So, thank you to these volunteers for helping their teams. The most crucial role is that of the box loader, who can be the difference in winning or losing an event in which mere thousands of seconds could determine the winner.

Various club members will undertake the roles of box loaders, ball shaggers and assistants.

## **Disposal Bins**

These are located around the arena, the large cardboard bin near the canteen is for canteen use only. Please dispose of your waste in the appropriate designated disposal bins.

## **Dogs on leash**

There are to be **NO DOGS OFF LEASH in the DOG ARENA except when competing** and no dogs are allowed on the sports ovals.

**Please always pick up after your dogs and dispose in general waste bins.**

## **Parking**

Please Park your cars on the western side of the dog arena between the dog arena and Gunn Oval changerooms.

## **Dog Crates**

Your dogs must be set up under the shed awning.





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## Food and Drink

The Club will have breaks for morning tea, lunch, and afternoon tea on Saturday.

Tea, Coffee, Milo, and Hot Chocolate are free, so have as many as you like during the day.

Cold Drinks are \$3.

So that lunch can be served quickly we are asking everyone to pre-order by Thursday so that we can finalise our purchase.

Purchases can be made with cash, EFTPos or Bank Transfer

We are offering:

- Salad Rolls \$8.00
  - Ham
  - Chicken
  - Meatless

There will also be soup and rolls plus quiche at lunch and other items for morning and afternoon tea.



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## Competition Pairs

We have five teams competing in the flyball competition all from the Tassie Flying Paws Dog Club.

The teams are:

Magic Sunlight		
This team comprises dogs from the Tassie Flying Paws Dog Club.		Declared time: 13.100 Captain: Jenny Reid
Dog Name: CRN: Breed: Handler: Flyball Title:	Ronnie 2843B Border Collie Jenny Reid Flyball Dog Champion	
Dog Name: CRN: Breed: Handler: Flyball Title:	Solo 3032B Border Collie Louise Rowlands Flyball Dog Excellent	

Thunderboys are GO		
This team comprises dogs from the Tassie Flying Paws Dog Club.		Declared time: 12.300 Captain: Jo Grant
Dog Name: CRN: Breed: Handler: Flyball Title:	Herschel 2733A Border Collie Jo Grant Flyball Dog Champion	
Dog Name: CRN: Breed: Handler: Flyball Title:	Jerry 3397A Springer Spaniel Bruce Evers Flyball Dog Excellent	



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## Flash Dancers

This team comprises dogs from the Tassie Flying Paws Dog Club.		Declared time: 9.000 Captain: Bec Roberston
Dog Name: <b>Finn</b> CRN: 3448A Breed: Border Collie Handler: Sarah Finn Flyball Title: Flyball Dog Excellent		
Dog Name: <b>Daisy</b> CRN: 2986A Breed: Border Collie Handler: Bec Robertson Flyball Title: Flyball Dog Champion		
Dog Name: <b>Gilbert</b> CRN: 2855B Breed: Border Collie Handler: Bec Robertson Flyball Title: Flyball Dog		

## Legs 11

This team comprises dogs from the Tassie Flying Paws Dog Club.		Declared time: 9.500 Captain: Nat Frankcombe
Dog Name: <b>Cosmo</b> CRN: 3579A Breed: Border Collie Handler: Nat Frankcombe Flyball Title: No Title		
Dog Name: <b>Bella</b> CRN: 3468A Breed: Smithfield x Huntaway Handler: Kier Tyson Flyball Title: Flyball Dog Excellent		



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## Irish Blues

This team comprises dogs from the Tassie Flying Paws Dog Club.

**Declared time:** 9.800

**Captain:** David Strong

**Dog Name:** **Toby**  
**CRN:** 853F  
**Breed:** Border Collie  
**Handler:** Greg Canham  
**Flyball Title:** Flyball Dog Champion



**Dog Name:** **River**  
**CRN:** 2863B  
**Breed:** Border Collie Cross  
**Handler:** Rebecca De Courcy  
**Flyball Title:** Flyball Dog Champion



**Dog Name:** **Lochie**  
**CRN:** 2792A  
**Breed:** Border Collie  
**Handler:** David Strong / Bec Robertson  
**Flyball Title:** Australian Flyball Champion





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Collie and Echo 2024 Pairs Championship Table

Pair	Rnd 1	Rnd 2	Rnd 3	Rnd 4	Rnd 5	Total Points
Magic Sunlight	4	2	2			8
ThunderBoys are GO	1	4	1			6
Legs 11	1	1	4			6
Irish Blues	1	3	1			5
Flash Dancers	1	0	3			4



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## Competition Timetable

The flyball competition will consist of a round robin handicap where each team will compete against the other four teams twice where each race consists fixed 3 **heats**.

<b>9:00:00 AM</b>		Check-In		
<b>9:30:00 AM</b>		Judges Briefing		
<b>10:00:00 AM</b>	<b>Race 1</b>	Flash Dancers	vs	Magic Sunlight
<b>10:10:00 AM</b>	<b>Race 2</b>	Legs 11	vs	Thuderboys are GO
<b>10:30:00 AM</b>	<b>Race 3</b>	Irish Blues	vs	Flash Dancers
<b>10:40:00 AM</b>	<b>Race 4</b>	Magic Sunlight	vs	Legs 11
<b>11:00:00 AM</b>	<b>Race 5</b>	Thuderboys are GO	vs	Irish Blues
<b>11:10:00 AM</b>		Morning Tea		Training in the Ring
<b>11:30:00 AM</b>	<b>Race 6</b>	Legs 11	vs	Flash Dancers
<b>11:40:00 PM</b>	<b>Race 7</b>	Magic Sunlight	vs	Irish Blues
<b>12:00:00 PM</b>	<b>Race 8</b>	Flash Dancers	vs	Thuderboys are GO
<b>12:10:00 PM</b>	<b>Race 9</b>	Irish Blues	vs	Legs 11
<b>12:30:00 PM</b>	<b>Race 10</b>	Thuderboys are GO	vs	Magic Sunlight
<b>12:40:00 PM</b>		Lunch		Training in the Ring
<b>1:40:00 PM</b>	<b>Race 11</b>	Magic Sunlight	vs	Flash Dancers
<b>1:50:00 PM</b>	<b>Race 12</b>	Thuderboys are GO	vs	Legs 11
<b>2:10:00 PM</b>	<b>Race 13</b>	Flash Dancers	vs	Irish Blues
<b>2:20:00 PM</b>	<b>Race 14</b>	Legs 11	vs	Magic Sunlight
<b>2:40:00 PM</b>	<b>Race 15</b>	Irish Blues	vs	Thuderboys are GO
<b>2:50:00 PM</b>		Afternoon Tea		Training in the Ring
<b>3:10:00 PM</b>	<b>Race 16</b>	Flash Dancers	vs	Legs 11
<b>3:20:00 PM</b>	<b>Race 17</b>	Irish Blues	vs	Magic Sunlight
<b>3:40:00 PM</b>	<b>Race 18</b>	Thuderboys are GO	vs	Flash Dancers
<b>3:50:00 PM</b>	<b>Race 19</b>	Legs 11	vs	Irish Blues
<b>4:10:00 PM</b>	<b>Race 20</b>	Magic Sunlight	vs	Thuderboys are GO