

Luck O' The Pups II 2020 - Welcome Letter

Hosted by: Alamo Racing Canines



Welcome Region 5 flyball family! We are looking forward to an exciting weekend full of racing in the beautiful hill country of Kerrville, TX at the Hill Country Youth Event Center, located at: 3785 Hwy 27, Kerrville, TX 78028. We hope you all enjoy this new venue as much as possible. Please do not hesitate to ask any questions you may have pertaining to this wonderful new facility.

<u>LINE AND BOX JUDGING:</u> Thank you to everyone who will be helping with line and box judging! We couldn't put on a tournament without you!

- Line judges will be writing the times on the time sheets.
- If you are unable to fill a seat during your assigned judging slot, please let someone from ARC know so that we can find someone to take your place.

TIMELINE:

FRIDAY CRATING: 4:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.

UNLESS YOU ARE HELPING WITH SET UP, PLEASE DO NOT ARRIVE ANY EARLIER THAN 4:00 p.m. Building closes at 7:00 p.m.

MAT TIME: Friday night mat time will be from 4:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. and will be offered in 15 minute increments on a first come, first serve basis.

SATURDAY:

6:00 a.m. - BUILDING OPENS

7:00-7:30 a.m. - CHECK-IN & MEASURING

7:30 a.m. - CAPTAINS' & JUDGES' MEETING

8:00 a.m. - RACING BEGINS. Building closes one hour after racing ends.

SUNDAY:

6:30 a.m. - BUILDING OPENS

8:00 a.m. - RACING BEGINS

LUNCHES: There will be a 35-minute lunch break on Saturday after race 27 and a 30-minute lunch break on Sunday after race 70.

GREEN DOG TRAINING: We will be offering <u>Green Dog Training</u> during our breaks on Saturday and Sunday. Training will be in 10-minute intervals (6 slots available Saturday and 7 slots available Sunday).

RACING: This will be a one ring tournament. Racing will begin at 8:00 a.m. on Saturday and 8:00 a.m. on Sunday. Saturday racing will conclude at the end of race 42.

- On both Saturday and Sunday, we will have 2-minute warm-ups all day as time allows.
- Warm-ups will begin when the judge blows the whistle to start your warm up.
- Box loaders If you need help moving your box, please make arrangements before the race. Please be courteous to the incoming team and be prepared to move your box as soon as your race is finished.
- If you will need help changing jump heights, please make arrangements before the race.
- Jump heights should be set for your race at the end of warm-up.
- Per NAFA rules, the baseboards on the jumps are 6".
- Judges will be Steve Corona and Katie Altholz.
- There will be a Captains' and Judges' meeting at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday.
- If you discover a problem with scoring or any mistake in how the racing results were entered and posted, please email Vince Dragotta. Please DO NOT ask the table staff to help you with a problem or question. Thank you.

SCORING: Tournament Points

- The winner of each heat will receive one tournament point.
- Heats ending in a tie will result in each team receiving ½ of a tournament point.
- The winner of the majority of heats in a race will be awarded an additional two bonus points.
- If a tie heat results in neither team winning the majority of heats, both teams will split the two additional bonus points.
- In the case of a 4 of 4 format, both teams will split the two bonus points if each team wins two heats. One team will be awarded two bonus points if that team wins two heats and one of the remaining heats ends in a tie.
- If neither team wins the majority of heats because of a double loss in one of the heats, neither team will receive bonus points.

Division Tie Breakers: Double Tie Breaker 1. Results of head to head competition at the heat level. 2. Fastest legal time in head to head competition. 3. Fastest legal time in overall competition. 4. Coin flip

Triple Tie Breaker 1. Fastest legal time in overall competition. 2. Coin flip

AWARDS: There will not be an awards ceremony after racing on Sunday.

- Tournament results will be posted to the NAFA Database following the tournament and scoring.
- The Time Sheet Summary and Points Earned report will be made available via email to the TX Flyball list within the week.
- If your club finishes racing early on Sunday and is packing up while racing is still going on, PLEASE be considerate of the teams still racing in the ring that may have sound-sensitive dogs and try to avoid letting crates slam, etc.

BRAGS: A brag board will be available for titles earned, personal bests and other noteworthy items.

RAFFLE: We will have two 1-day raffles. In addition, several "Big Ticket Items" will be in a special 2-day raffle with the winners drawn on Sunday afternoon. We will announce the approximate time of the drawings each day at the middle of the race day, and we will also announce a reminder closer to the drawing. Please check out the FABULOUS items in our raffle!

PHOTO OPS: Feel free to take as many St. Paddy photos as you would like in front of our beautifully painted backdrop. We will also have fun props for you to add to the photos.

SPONSORS: PLEASE CHECK OUT OUR SPONSOR PAGE AND SUPPORT THOSE WHO SUPPORT US. https://flyball.com/arc/sponsors.htm

CRATING: Crating map will be posted on ARC's Luck o' the Pups website.

PARKING: Parking is best on the south and west sides of the building. Please do not block any of the bay doors or regular doors.

CLEAN UP: Our region is very fortunate to have located some nice venues where we can play flyball. We should all do our part to leave things in great condition. • If you discover a problem in a bathroom, please notify a member of ARC. • The grassy poop area will be located directly across from the crating area, along the fence. • <u>PICK-UP after your dog</u>. We will have poop bags available near trash cans in case you forget yours.

FYI: Outside food is allowed. The Kerrville site does not restrict the use of crockpots, griddles, or other cooking appliances.

WATCH for the ARC Trailer which will be parked along the fence to help you find the entrance.

Thank you for your support and cooperation. We look forward to seeing everyone there!