

Agility on the Greens

SMART July 18/19 2009 USDA Trial General Information

Check-in Schedule (check in only on your first day)

morning check-in: 7:00–7:45am

walkthroughs, first dog: 7:45am, 8am

❖ You must check in if you didn't send in your permanent yellow height card with your entry. Emails of scans of your yellow card are also accepted up until Tuesday before the trial.

❖ Many people think when we say "yellow" we really mean "blue with three signatures" – but seriously: yellow means ONLY yellow. NOT blue, no matter how many sigs you have.

There will be three rings. There are 255 dogs entered with 1720 runs (125 masters dogs, 35 advanced, 50 starters). How can you have a low-stress weekend and maybe even have time to kick back and enjoy the 4-star scenery while setting poles?

1. LISTEN to announcements about changes in jump height order!
2. Check in *early and often* at the rings you're running in and inform the gate stewards *as soon as you can* about possible conflicts.
3. Volunteer to set poles or run scribe sheets. Jump heights will be juggled to minimize conflicts so workers will be at a premium, and appreciated more than ever!
4. *Stay within shouting distance of your gate steward when you are within 5 dogs of running.*

PARK RULES

Quail Lodge is being extremely generous and welcoming of our event, and hopes to turn this into an annual marquee affair! Let's make them think we are the best tenants in the world!

BBQ'ing. Coals are NOT ALLOWED. Propane-powered is allowed.

Dog exercising. Dogs are welcome anywhere on the grounds so long as they are on leash (including the golf course, on the cart path, quietly, watch for golf balls), and please be fanatic about cleaning up after your dog (or anyone else's).

Recycling. Think Green! We are only allowed to generate a certain amount of non-recyclable trash so PLEASE be compulsive about separating out your recyclable cans and plastic water bottles. We will have BLUE recycling barrels at every trash can. Better yet, re-use your plastic water bottles (or don't use them at all) – water jugs will be available at the score tables for refilling cups/bottles.

FOOD

Quail Lodge is setting up a breakfast and lunch booth at this event where you may purchase food. Workers will be given vouchers for a free lunch. And don't forget that the lodge restaurant, Edgar's, welcomes dogs and has a dog menu too.

4-Star Saturday BBQ

Saturday evening you are welcome to sign up for a Quail Lodge 4-star BBQ dinner on the field – sign ups will be taken at the awards table on day-of.

If you need a 24-hour Veterinarian

Dr Jeff Hogans 831-594-8387 cell phone, on call for this event
Carmel Valley Vet Hospital 13738 Center Street Carmel Valley CA 93924

Monterey Pen Vet Center 831-373-7374 Pacific Veterinary 831-476-0667
20 Lower Ragsdale Drive #150 1980 41st Avenue
Monterey CA 93940 Capitola CA 95101

Worker schedules at the rings

Our workers are saints: tell them so when you walk by one this weekend! Worker schedules for each ring will be posted at each ring every morning. If you find yourself free and bored, check in at a ring to see what you can do! You know what they say about idle hands.

Every job you work entitles you to an entry in the Workers Appreciation Gift drawings that take place at the end of each day. And did I mention the free lunch?

Directions

Quail Lodge 831-624-2888, www.quaillodge.com
8205 Valley Greens Drive Carmel CA 93923.

Directions from San Francisco/San Jose: Take Highway 101 south to Prunedale.

- At Prunedale, take Highway 156 west (there will be a "Monterey Peninsula" sign).
- At Castroville, stay to the left. The road will become Highway 1 south.
- Take Highway 1 south to Carmel. The road narrows after the Ocean Avenue exit.
- The next light will be Carmel Valley Road, with two left-turn lanes.
- Turn left on Carmel Valley Road and go 3.5 miles to Valley Greens Drive.
- A sign for Quail Lodge is on the right. Turn right on Valley Greens Drive.
- Follow Valley Greens Dr for a mile past the lodge until it ends at a "private road" sign: the field is straight ahead past this scary sign.

Directions from Los Angeles: Take Highway 101 north to Salinas.

- Go west on Highway 68 (the exit from 101 will say "Monterey Peninsula").
- Continue west on Highway 68 to Laureles Grade; turn left.
- Go over the hills (be cautious on this very windy road!) to the end of the road and turn right on Carmel Valley Road.
- Turn left on Valley Greens Drive. A sign for Quail Lodge is on the right.
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Parking Passes Required

Parking is free IF you show evidence of being entered in this show (like, this letter).

Parking and RV'ing are max'ed out at this event, so please follow the instructions of the parking attendants and the RV elves meticulously! No vehicles are allowed in the rings area so plan on carting in your ringside set-up.

RV'ing and overnighting: must have reservation

If you haven't made your advance reservation to RV, please contact us ASAP at kkrauter@bumpsays.com.

RV's may begin arriving and setting up in the RV area at 3:00pm on Friday. Check in with the RV check-in person when you arrive. If you arrive before this, please park in the dirt day-parking lot until the RV check-in person arrives. The RV check-in person will direct you to your assigned parking spot. There are no hookups and no services.

Who can park in the RV areas? RV's and overnighters are permitted ONLY on an advance reservation basis. If you need to overnight at the trial site and have not submitted a reservation form or fee, contact kkrauter@bumpsays.com ASAP.

Who must park in the regular parking lot? Any vehicle that does not have a permit to park on the RV fields or on the road around the agility field.

Friday Set-up: RSVP to kkrauter@bumpsays.com

If you can help with Friday set-up, we'd love to have you! Set-up workers get first priority for ringside crating spots and our undying gratitude. Nonworkers who set up before the rings have been built will be asked to MOVE, and believe me when I say that people will be watching for any nonworker who jumps the gun.

Setup will start at about 1PM and should be finished by about 4PM, to give you an idea of when nonworker setup may commence.

Scoring, Questions, Problems

We will post the results of your runs near the score tables, usually within minutes of your run. Please DO check them right away if you have any questions about your run, or if it's a leg of particular importance to you. It's true the score table is a busy place that needs to do its job without unnecessary interruptions; however it is also true that *you* are our only reason for doing this.

If you have any questions or problems (TP in the portapotties, running order, scoring issue, rules question, etc) or *feedback*, feel free to seek out trial chairs Ernie Mill and Maggie Guthrie or trial secretaries Mary Schultz and Karey Krauter or trial committee members or SMART club members. Our job is to keep you happy!

To contact me/Karey close to or during the weekend when you aren't certain I'll read my email, feel free to use my cell phone 650-906-5146.

Running Orders

The running order catalog for this trial will be made available online at www.smartagility.com (where the premium was), in the week before the trial. Hardcopies will NOT be available at the trial.

Class/Judge's Schedule (subject to change)

	TOM'S RING (BLUE)	ADVANCED RING (YELLOW)	STARTERS RING (RED)
SATURDAY	<i>Judge: Tom Kula</i>	<i>Judge: Leslie Bickel</i>	<i>Judge: Chris Vaught</i>
22/26/16/12/PF	Masters/P1III Gamblers	Steeplechase/PSJ Rd 1 (PF/26/22/16/12)	Advanced/P1I Standard (1)
	Masters/P1III Standard	Advanced/P1I Jumpers	Starters/P1I Gamblers
	Masters/P1III Jumpers	Advanced/P1I Gamblers	Starters/P1I Standard (1)
	Starters/P1I Jumpers	Advanced/P1I Standard (2)	Steeplechase/PSJ Round 2
		Starters/P1I Standard (2)	Masters/P1III Pairs
SUNDAY	<i>Judge: Tom Kula</i>	<i>Judge: Chris Vaught</i>	<i>Judge: Leslie Bickel</i>
PF/12/16/26/22	P1III/Masters Snooker	Advanced/P1I Pairs	P1I/Starters Pairs
	P1I/Advanced Standard (3)	PNS/Grand Prix	P1I/Starters Standard (3)
	P1I/Advanced Snooker	P1III/Masters Standard	P1I/Starters Snooker
	P1I/Starters Standard (4)		P1I/Advanced Standard (4)

Quail Lodge Trial Site Layout:



Quail Lodge agility lawn, Carmel CA 93923