

SMART February 1-2 2014 USDAA General Information

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

Saturday do-not-arrive-before-this:	7:00AM
Saturday check-in/measure-in:	9:00–9:30AM
Saturday walkthrus, first dog:	9:30AM, 10:00AM
Sunday check-in/measure-in:	7:00–7:30AM
Sunday walkthrus, first dog:	7:30AM, 8:00AM

❖ You must check in if you didn't send in your plastic permanent height card with your entry. Emails of scans of your yellow card are also accepted.

HEADS UP: DO *NOT* ARRIVE AT THE SITE AT ANY TIME ON FRIDAY, THERE IS *NO* FRIDAY RV'ING OR SET-UP, ANOTHER EVENT IS TAKING PLACE ALL FRIDAY AT WHICH WE ARE *NOT* WELCOME. NO FRIDAY SET-UP PERIOD.

Maybe not too surprisingly (yay 2014 Cynosports in Morgan Hill!), this trial has an interestingly big entry! Not as big as our last November USDAA, but we only have two judges this time (thank goodness we're only offering tourney classes).

There are 180 dogs entered, 26 teams, 25 PVP's. We are totally and constantly going to be rewarding efficiency! In fact here's your first "Goo-o-od Human!" for the weekend because we already know we are the best worker bees ever! Conflicts should be nonexistent because of rotation groups and there IS no non-group ring running.

If you want to get home before your bedtime, we'd be hugely in your debt if you personally invested yourself in helping us out:

1. Volunteer to set poles or run scribe sheets. It can't be overstated how much faster a class goes if more people jump up quick as a bunny and pitch in EVEN IF ONLY FOR TEN MINUTES. Seriously. And THIS TRIAL, of all trials, is the place to see for yourself. Be That Awesome Person!
2. LISTEN to announcements about where your group should be when!
3. 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.
4. **Stay within shouting distance of your gate steward when you are within 5 dogs of running.**

Saturday Morning Pancake Breakfast

The Junior Sharks Squirt B team will be doing a pancake breakfast on Saturday morning, 7:30AM-10:30AM. Please come on down and join the fun! Enjoy a wonderful Pancake breakfast prior to the trial starting and help the Junior Sharks raise money to pay for their season. This is our own Tania Chadwick's team!

LUNCH, ETC

Sunday breakfast yummys and lunch for purchase will be provided by our new fave caterer On The Scene Cuisine. Workers get coupons for free lunches. No other food is available on-site (or even nearby, if I remember).

Workers: check out the White Boards!

We aren't creating worker schedules in advance except to position a couple fulltimers. We're going to be trying the "Dozen Dog method", wherein we have faith that people will step up whenever they have a moment to work for a dozen dogs' runs. People will be able to step down when their moment is passed, if the next person steps up.

Every time you work, you'll get tickets for the Workers Raffle that take place at the end of each day. And did I mention the free lunch? And extra good karma luck on your runs?

NO FRIDAY SET-UP

Directions

Thorsen's Arena
Watsonville Court, Morgan Hill, CA 95037

From the San Francisco/Oakland/San Jose: From 101 south through Morgan Hill, take the Tennant Ave exit west. Turn left onto Monterey Rd. Turn right onto Watsonville Rd. Follow 2 miles to Watsonville Ct. Facility is on your left.

From Salinas/Monterey: From 101 north through Morgan Hill, take San Martin Ave exit west. Turn right onto Santa Teresa Blvd. Turn left onto Watsonville Rd at the 4-way stop. Follow to Watsonville Ct. Facility is on your left.

The site is indoors on dirt. Parking is limited so please don't take up more than one parking space. Crating inside is limited, so please consider crating out of your car, or taking up as small a footprint inside as you can manage.

RVing: do not arrive before Saturday 7:00AM

RV'ing (all dry, no tenting or car camping) may only be done by advance reservation. If you wish to RV and haven't already, contact Karey ASAP. RV's may not arrive before Saturday 7:00AM.

NO FRIDAY ARRIVAL, RV'ING, OR SET-UP.

Saturday Set-up: if you want to help with Saturday set-up, RSVP to Vici at viciwhiz@charter.net.

If you can help with Saturday set-up, we'd love to have you! Set-up workers get first priority for 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.

Saturday Timetable:

1. Before 6:30AM: NO ONE IN THE ARENA.
2. 6:30AM: Chief course builders and equipment czars ONLY in the rings.
3. 7:00AM: Calling all course builder elves! Do not come earlier.
If you come to help set-up, two things:
 - a. Throw your mat down to save your crating spot before you jump in,
 - b. Please park on the BATHROOM side of the arena to leave the RV side of it open for incoming RV's.
4. 8:00AM **APPROXIMATELY** or **when all the rings have been built:**
nonworkers may start setting up.

NO BARKING DOGS

Be aware that this location is in a residential area. We do not want to lose this location. If your crated dog barks in the crating area or in your car, we will give you one opportunity to quiet your dog. If the barking continues, you will be asked to leave. No refunds will be provided. This pertains to RV people as well as day competitors.

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 bathrooms, running order, scoring issue, rules question, etc.) or *feedback*, feel free to seek out trial chair Vici Whisner or trial secretaries Karey Krauter and Sue Rush or trial committee members or SMART 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 text/use my cell phone 650-906-5146. Also FYI Sue's landline is 831-333-1493.

Saturday (CH 26/22/16/12, PF 08/12/16/22 except for team)

ANNE'S RING (1000am start) Team Gamblers GROUP A Team Gamblers GROUP B MC Standard GROUP A MC Standard GROUP B Steeplechase ROUND 2	SCOTT'S RING (1000am start) Steeplechase Rd1 GROUP B Steeplechase Rd1 GROUP A Team Snooker GROUP B Team Snooker GROUP A
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Sunday (PF 22/16/12/08, CH 12/16/22/26 except for team)

ANNE'S RING (8am start) Grand Prix GROUP A Grand Prix GROUP B Team Standard GROUP A Team Standard GROUP B PVP Relay GROUP A PVP Relay GROUP B	SCOTT'S RING (8am start) MC Jumpers GROUP B MC Jumpers GROUP A Team Jumpers GROUP B Team Jumpers GROUP A Team Relay GROUP B Team Relay GROUP A
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Site Layout

