

# SMART April 23-24 2016 USDAA General Information

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

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| SAT Check-in/measure-in:                   | 7:15-7:45AM  |
| SAT Walk thrus, <u>first dog</u> :         | 7:45, 8:00AM |
| SUN EARLIER Check-in/measure-in:           | 6:45-7:15AM  |
| SUN EARLIER Walk thrus, <u>first dog</u> : | 7:15, 7:30AM |

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

There are 197 dogs entered (616 runs on Sat, and 779 runs on Sun). Definitely a respectably sized trial. There shouldn't be any conflicts between the two masters/tournament rings because we'll be running them in rotation groups. Conflicts between the masters rings and the non-masters ring should be resolved by putting a "C" (for conflict) by your name on the masters/tourney ring running order – give priority to st/adv classes – since there's so much room to move you around in the masters/tourney class. Except for masters snooker, of course, as always.

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.**

## LUNCH

Lunch FOR WORKERS ONLY will be provided by our own Diana Wilson. No other food is available on-site. Fast food and delis are a 5 minute drive away. Make time to stop by Starbucks on your way in, no plans for coffee on site.

## 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?

## 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 Katrina Parkinson and Karey Krauter or trial committee members or SMART members. Our job is to keep you happy!

For entry questions/corrections close to or during the weekend when you aren't certain I'll read my email, feel free to text/use Karey's cell phone 650-906-5146.

## 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 under cover 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 Friday 3PM

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 [kek@bumpsays.com](mailto:kek@bumpsays.com).

## Friday Set-up 2PM: if you want to help with set-up, RSVP to Vici at [viciwhiz@charter.net](mailto:viciwhiz@charter.net).

If you can help with Friday 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.

## Friday Timetable:

1. 1PM: Only chief coursebuilders, no elves yet!
2. 2PM: NOW is when we can use coursebuilder elves and set up workers, thanks! 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.
3. 3PM: non-setup-helpers and non-setup-RV'ers arrival time
4. AFTER 5PM: Arena LIGHTS-OUT! The arena will be DARK!

## 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.

## Saturday (CH 26/22/18/16/14/12, PF 12/20/16/08, VT)

| SANDRA'S RING (8am start)                  | CANDY'S RING (8am start)                     | KYLIE'S RING (8am start)  |
|--|--|---|
| Mas Gamblers GRP A<br>Mas Gamblers GRP B   | Mas Standard GRP B<br>Mas Standard GRP A     | Adv - St Gamblers<br>Adv - St Standard<br>Adv - St Pairs<br>Adv - St Snooker<br>Steeplechase Rd 1 |
| Mas Jumpers GRP A<br>Mas Jumpers GRP B     | Mas Snooker GRP B<br>Mas Snooker GRP A       |   |
| BIATH Jumpers GRP A<br>BIATH Jumpers GRP B | BIATH Standard GRP B<br>BIATH Standard GRP A |   |
| Adv - St Jumpers                           | Mas Pairs                                    |   |

## Sunday (VT, PF 08/16/20/12, CH 12/14/16/18/22/26)

| SANDRA'S RING (8am start)                | CANDY'S RING (8am start)                 | KYLIE'S RING (8am start)   |
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| Mas Pairs                                | Adv - St Pairs                           | Adv - St Gamblers<br>Adv - St Standard<br>Adv - St Snooker<br>Adv - St Jumpers |
| Mas Standard GRP A<br>Mas Standard GRP B | Mas Gamblers GRP B<br>Mas Gamblers GRP A |  |
| Mas Snooker GRP A<br>Mas Snooker GRP B   | Grand Prix GRP B<br>Grand Prix GRP A     |  |
| Steeplechase Rd 2                        | Mas Jumpers                              |  |

### Site Layout

