

# SMART April 25/26 2012 USDAA General Information

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

**Morning check-in/measure-in:** 7:00–7:30am

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

- ❖ 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.

There are 190 dogs entered with a total of 1312 runs (699 Saturday, 613 Sunday). You shouldn't have too much trouble with conflicts though, as you will be assigned to rotation groups. How can you personally contribute to a stress-free weekend that ends before happy hour?

1. LISTEN to announcements about where your group should be when!
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.
4. **Stay within shouting distance of your gate steward when you are within 5 dogs of running.**

## **PARK RULES so we don't get KICKED OUT!**

**NO ALCOHOL.** This park is run by a youth recreation league and MUST HAVE NO ALCOHOL, and in particular MUST HAVE NO SIGN OF ALCOHOL having been consumed: not in your hands (use cups!), not in the trash (take it home with you!), not in the recycling, and not in the litter around our RV's. Last time we were pretty good about keeping our trash guilt-free, thank you very much, let's keep up the good work! Be aware the park ranger will be patrolling around throughout the weekend and especially during happy hour.

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

**Dog exercising.** No dogs may be walked below the main parking lot, down the road to the BMX area below. Check the map below for where dogs may NOT run.

**Recycling.** 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 recycling bags at every trash can but you might also consider taking home your recyclables and helping out your local city recycling program! Better yet, reuse your plastic water bottles (or don't use them at all) – water jugs will be available at the score tables for refilling cups/bottles.

**NO ALCOHOL.** Did I mention this?

**NO DRIVING** on the main field with the rings. Not for unloading, not for loading.

## **FOOD**

Lunch (for workers only!) is make-your-own sandwiches, chips and cookie: available from 11:30am to 2:00pm. No other food available on site, but fast food is located a few minutes away. There will be some muffins in the morning with coffee.

## **Workers: check out the White Boards!**

Worker schedules for each ring will be posted at each ring every morning on dry-erase white boards. Throughout the weekend, DO feel free to erase your name if you can't work an assignment, or fill in your name if you find yourself with idle hands!!! Please let the crew chief know if you need to remove your name from the board.

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?

## **Can I sit between the rings and watch?**

No, please! Please leave the walkways between the rings clear of chairs and umbrellas and spectating. These are constricted areas and we all know that dogs passing through constricted areas, especially if they are in a hurry, need to not be crowded in order to stay on their best behavior. People too. Thanks!

## **Next-day Move-ups!**

Yes! If you title on Saturday and want to move up on Sunday, turn in a move-up form by end-of-day Saturday (that is: within 15 minutes of the last class of the day). Get blank forms at the awards table, and turn in filled out ones there too.

## **Directions**

ManzanitaPark Sports Complex  
17100 Castroville Blvd, Prunedale, CA 93907

Take Highway 101 to San Miguel Canyon Rd. exit in Prunedale. Proceed about one mile on San Miguel Canyon Rd. Turn left on Castroville Blvd. Proceed about 0.8 miles until you see the sign for Manzanita Park on the left.

The site is outdoors on a grassy soccer field. There is little shade. Parking is convenient to the field. No cars are allowed on the show lawn. You must park in the parking lot and cart your stuff in and out.

## **RVing and overnighting, parking**

RVs may begin arriving and setting up in the RV area at **NOON** on Friday. Check in with the RV check-in person when you arrive. If you arrive before this, please park in the regular 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?** RVs and overnights 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 [headrushes@sbcglobal.net](mailto:headrushes@sbcglobal.net) 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: if you want to help with Friday set-up, RSVP to Katrina [maddiemalcolm@gmail.com](mailto:maddiemalcolm@gmail.com)**

If you can help with Friday set-up, we'd love to have you! Friday workers get first priority for ringside camping spots and our undying gratitude. Non-workers 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 non-worker who jumps the gun.

## **Friday Timetable:**

1. (Noon - the RV check-in person goes on duty).
2. Before **noon**: NO ONE except crew chiefs allowed on field.
3. **1pm-<about>3pm**: workers may arrive to help with ring set-up.
4. APPROXIMATELY **3pm or when all the rings have been built**: non-workers may start setting up on the agility field.

## **Running Orders**

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

## **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 Katrina Parkinson or trial secretary Sue Rush or trial committee members or SMART members. Our job is to keep you happy!

## **Honor Run!**

SMART will be having an honor run for dogs 10 years and older to celebrate our 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Dogs must have pre-entered, it will take place around lunch time, all rings will be stopped and the celebration should take around 30-45 minutes. There will be **CAKE!**

## **If you need a 24-hour Veterinarian**

Santa Cruz Vet Hospital, 831-475-5400  
2585 Soquel Dr, Santa Cruz CA 95065

Pacific Vet Hospital, 831-476-0667  
1980 41<sup>st</sup> Ave, Capitola CA 95010

**Saturday (CH 26/22/16/12, PF 08/12/16/22, VT 16/12/08/08)**

<b>PEGGY'S RING (BLUE)</b>	<b>LYNN'S RING (YELLOW)</b>	<b>CODY'S RING (RED)</b>
Masters/P3/Vt Jumpers GROUP A Masters/P3/Vt Jumpers GROUP B	Masters/P3/Vt Snooker GROUP B Masters/P3/Vt Snooker GROUP A	Starters/P1-Advanced/P2 Gamblers Starters/P1-Advanced/P2 Standard Starters/P1-Advanced/P2 Snooker Starters/P1-Advanced/P2 Jumpers
Masters/P3/Vt Gamblers GROUP A Masters/P3/Vt Gamblers GROUP B	Masters/P3/Vt Standard GROUP B Masters/P3/Vt Standard GROUP A	
Steeplechase/PSJ Round 1	Starter/P1-Advance/P2 Pairs (tall to small) Masters/P3/Vt Pairs (tall to small)	

**Sunday (VT 04/08/12/16, PF 22/16/12/08, CH 12/16/22/26)**

<b>PEGGY'S RING (BLUE)</b>	<b>LYNN'S RING (YELLOW)</b>	<b>CODY'S RING (RED)</b>
Vt/P3/Masters Standard GROUP A Vt/P3/Masters Standard GROUP B	Vt/P3/Masters Gamblers GROUP B Vt/P3/Masters Gamblers GROUP A	P2/Advanced-P1/Starters Gamblers P2/Advanced-P1/Starters Standard P2/Advanced-P1/Starters Snooker P2/Advanced Jumpers
PGP/Grand Prix	PSJ/Steeplechase Round 2 P1/Starters Jumpers	
(sync up with other ring) Vt/P3/Masters Snooker GROUP A Vt/P3/Masters Snooker GROUP B	(sync up with other ring) Vt/P3/Masters Jumpers GROUP B Vt/P3/Masters Jumpers GROUP A	

**Sorry....no ring layout map!  
Guess it will have to be a surprise!**