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# Welcome to the 2023 CanAm Classic!

**Before You Arrive:** Please email your lineups to Karen at <a href="mailto:flyballsanc@yahoo.com">flyballsanc@yahoo.com</a> prior to 4 p.m. Wednesday 10/18/23. We will do our best to have your check-in sheet pre populated. If lineups are received after the deadline, however, there is no guarantee that they will be printed on your check-in sheet. Please email your lineups to eliminate the need to delay the start of racing. If you don't receive a response from Karen by Thursday morning, she doesn't have your lineup.

**Arrival:** Enter the Fairgrounds Through Gate #6 off of Fall Creek Parkway.

Parking: \$10.00/day. There are no in/out privileges! Designated parking for CanAm participants is south of the Indiana Farm Bureau Fall Creek Pavilion (where we are racing). Overflow parking is northwest of the West Pavilion. THE OVERFLOW PARKING AREA IS THE ONLY PARKING AREA THAT WILL BE PATROLLED BY NAFA HIRED SECURITY. This area will be patrolled between 9 am and 5 pm on Saturday and Sunday. Please observe all handicapped signage. A limited number of parking passes will be provided during the check in process.

**Unloading:** Cars may park along the south and east curb on Thursday while unloading. Once you are finished unloading, please move your car to the designated parking lot.

**Camping:** All campers must make reservations with the Fairgrounds ahead of time. Follow all check in information provided in the reservation confirmation terms and conditions. If you have camping issues contact 317-927-7503 between 9am and 4pm Monday through Friday, after those hours contact Security at 317-927-7520.

**Crating:** All crating spaces have been assigned - please see the crating map at <a href="www.nafacanam.com">www.nafacanam.com</a> <a href="www.nafacanam.com">NAFA reserves the right to alter crating spaces due to unforeseen issues</a>. See Leerie Jenkins (Fur Fun) if you have a crating concern.

**Welcome Bags:** CanAm welcome bags will be available at the awards table each day after the Captain's Meeting. Bags will be labeled with club names. The number of items included was determined by the number of attendees submitted when clubs entered. There are very limited extras. If your numbers changed please check with Emily Allred of That's So Fetch for availability.

**Flyball Boxes and Equipment:** There are taped off areas designating a Box Alley between the rings for boxes/balls/props. **Place all boxes flat on the ground for box inspection**. After box inspection by judges, please relocate any spare equipment out of the main box area. Staging areas are taped off behind each backstop for teams on deck. Please observe all taped off areas and walkways for the safety and convenience of all competitors.

**First Aid and Emergency Information:** A simple first aid kit can be found at the scoring/pit area. **For Emergencies call 317-927-7520 (Fairgrounds Security)** who will dispatch the appropriate emergency services. Alert the pit/scoring area who can further assist in directing emergency services to you. For area emergency clinics, check <u>In Case of Emergency</u>.

**Veterinary Emergency Information:** The closest emergency veterinary hospital is Noah's Animal Hospital & 24 HR Emergency Center approximately nine minutes from the fairgrounds. 317-253-1327, 5510 Millersville Rd, Indianapolis, IN. (4.1 miles). For other area emergency clinics, please consult the pit/scoring area.

**Security:** The building is open to the public. All competitors must wear green wrist bands provided at check-in. These will assist the building security staff in identifying who is a flyballer and who isn't. Please keep all valuables in a secure location at all times!

**Vendors and Sponsors:** Please take time to visit the booths of our sponsors and vendors. They help make this event possible. Even if you aren't in the market for something, stop by and say thanks for supporting CanAm!

**Pre-ordered CanAm T-shirts:** Will be available for pick up from the MyLogoShop booth beginning Thursday afternoon. A limited supply of additional apparel will be available for sale over the weekend. The MyLogoShop booth is located beyond the runback area of the Red ring.

**Miscellaneous:** No Coca-Cola products are allowed in the building. Please review food policies posted in the FAQ section of web site (<a href="http://www.nafacanam.com/faqs.html">http://www.nafacanam.com/faqs.html</a>)

PLEASE PICK UP AFTER YOUR DOGS!

### **TIMELINE**

#### **THURSDAY**

- 2 pm Building Opens
- Late Afternoon: Pre-ordered gear will be available at the MyLogo Shop Booth
- 7 pm Building Closes to competitors and for general access.
- 7 pm Judges Meeting will take place in the North Entrance Hall

#### **FRIDAY**

- 7 am Building Opens
- 7:30 am Check-In Opens All Captains must review and sign check-in sheet by 8:30 am!
- 7:30-8:30 am Measuring North Entrance Hall
- 8:30 am Check-In Sheets due Failure to review and sign check-in sheets will result in FORFEITURE OF ALL RACING FOR THE DAY!
- 8:30-8:50 am Captain's Meeting
- 9 am Racing Begins
- Awards will follow racing
- Building Closes no earlier than 2 Hours after the end of Awards

#### **SATURDAY**

- 6 am Building Opens
- 6:15 am Check-In Opens All Captains must review and sign check-in sheet by 7:00 am!
- 6:30-7:00 am Measuring North Entrance Hall
- 7:00 am Check-In Sheets due Failure to review and sign check-in sheets will result in FORFEITURE OF ALL RACING FOR THE DAY!
- 7:00-7:20 am Captain's Meeting
- 7:30 am Racing Begins
- Awards will follow racing
- Invitations to the CanAm Regular and Multibreed Class will take place after awards. In-person acceptance into the class is required.
  - Clubs that accept invitation into the CanAm class(es) must provide their own attire which must not be considered offensive by any commercial entity filming the event.
- Building Closes no earlier than 2 Hours after the end of Awards

#### **SUNDAY TIMELINE**

- 6 am Buildings Open
- 6:10 am Division and Racing Schedules available for distribution.
- 6:15am Check-In Opens All Captains must review and sign check-in sheet by 7:00 am!
- 6:30-7:00 am Measuring North Entrance Hall
- 7:00 am Check-In Sheets due Failure to review and sign check-in sheets will result in FORFEITURE OF ALL RACING FOR THE DAY!
- 7:00-7:20 am Captain's Meeting
- 7:30 am CanAm Classic Racing Begins
- 11:00 am First Round of CanAm Regular Class racing in the AKC/ESPN Ring in the Indiana Farmers Coliseum - located east of the West Pavillion. All other racing will pause.
- Approximately 12:30 pm CanAm Classic Racing resumes in the Indiana Farm Bureau Fall Creek Pavilion
- At the completion of all Classic and Open Racing there will be a mandatory Captain's meeting behind
  the pit boss area for teams participating in the Classic or CanAm Championship races. Teams will be
  provided the final racing order, and lane assignments for the Championship races. This info will be
  posted on all monitors, and at <a href="http://www.flvballgeek.com">http://www.flvballgeek.com</a>.

**Measuring:** All measuring will take place on the mezzanine level. We will have the location marked, and noted at the scoring table.

# Championship & Classic Racing Order - order may be altered to provide a smooth schedule.

- 2nd Round of CanAm Regular Races
- 1st Round of CanAm Multibreed Races
- Classic Multibreed Division Finals
- Classic Regular Division Finals
- 3rd Place CanAm Multibreed Races
- 3rd Place CanAm Regular Races
- CanAm Multibreed Championship Finals
- CanAm Regular Championship Finals

## **Sunday Awards**

- Division placements will not be announced
- Awards for Classic and CanAm Championship races will be presented at the conclusion of each race, followed by a group photo with our official photographer.
- Each Classic division championship race team will receive 1st and 2nd NAFA CanAm Classic Champion Awards.

## **Racing Information**

- Please familiarize yourself with the tournament format posted on the CanAm website - <a href="https://nafacanam.com/tournament-format/">https://nafacanam.com/tournament-format/</a>. There are some specific differences to Sunday's format and seeding which are not seen at most NAFA events.
- All racing will be 3 of 5.
- Warm up times will be 2 minutes
- Be aware that AKC TV will be filming racing over the weekend. The CanAm Class Races will be recorded and broadcast on ESPN. <u>Competitors are expected to act and dress in a</u> <u>professional and presentable manner. Inappropriate language, or inappropriate attire</u> <u>will not be allowed and a competitor and/or teams may be excused for failure to</u> <u>comply. Competitors are responsible for providing appropriate attire. Any wording or</u> <u>phrases on clothing should not be offensive or derogatory.</u>
- Performance teams, teams running FEO, and teams which forfeit any race during Saturday's event (24000001) shall not be invited to compete in the CanAm Regular or CanAm Multibreed class.
- Performance teams in the Regular or Multibreed Class on Saturday shall be seeded into Sunday's Classic Regular or Classic Multibreed class as a Performance team using the fastest time run on Saturday.
- Regular and Multibreed teams failing to post a time on Saturday will be seeded into Sunday's event with a time of 95 seconds.
- Be prepared for a longer day of racing on Sunday. Support your fellow flyballers by cheering on the CanAm and Classic Division Championship races!

# Scoring:

#### **Round Robin**

- 2 points awarded to the team winning the most heats in the race
- 1 point awarded to each team if at the end of the race the heat score is 1-1 or 2-2.
- Division ties will be resolved as follows:
  - Head-to-head racing (win/loss)
  - Then fastest (non-breakout) time of the day
  - Then fastest (non-breakout) time during the head-to-head race(s)
- Sunday Classic Regular and Multibreed Class: Any team that posts a breakout time is ineligible for divisional placement.

# **Single Elimination**

- The team that wins the most heats out of five shall be declared the race winner and advance in the bracket.
- If, after five heats, the race is tied, the tie wil be resolved as follows:
  - Fastest time run in that race.
  - Then the fastest time of the day.
- If neither team successfully completes a heat, then neither team will advance.

#### **TECHNOLOGY IN USE:**

#### Flyball Geek

- Racing ring assignments, schedules and general announcements will be broadcast via www.flyballgeek.com.
- Large monitors displaying ring assignments are stationed around the building with Flyball Geek information.
- Ring assignments are designated by color. Rings will have coordinated back stops, and jumps which match the colors on Flyball Geek.
- Friday 3 of the rings will be in use, Saturday and Sunday all 6 rings will be in use.

### **APES (Automatic Pass Evaluator System)**

- APES output will ONLY be used during the CanAm Regular, CanAm Multibreed classes, Classic Regular and Classic Multibreed championship races. During these races, a review judge will view the APES output to assist in detecting infractions near the start/finish line during the heat.
- APES output will be reviewed during the heat. The review judge will indicate a
  potential infraction by raising a flag, which will be relayed to the head judge by
  an APES assistant located behind the line judge.
- APES output will be available FOR INFORMATION ONLY in all other classes of competition outside of the CanAm and Classic championship races. Judges will not review or base infraction calls on APES output.

#### **Heat Counters:**

- Each ring has heat counters located near the head table that indicate win, loss or tie.
- At the end of each race, the lights blink to indicate a winner: red for right lane, green for left lane, yellow for a tie.

# **ABOVE ALL, HAVE A SAFE AND FUN CANAM!**