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2023 **Schedule**

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Melbourne Royal Show  
21 September – 1 October 2023

# Presenting the 2023 Melbourne Royal *All Breeds* Championship Show

The Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show is one of Australia's largest Conformation shows.

With more than 5,000 classes, 3,700 entries and 200 breeds, the All Breeds Championship Show provides the opportunity for handlers to benchmark their breed – from Afghan Hounds to Yorkshire Terriers on the Royal stage.

The highly entertaining Action Dog Program featuring Rally, Obedience, Agility, Jumping and Games will test the abilities and stamina of the most skillful canines and their handlers.

With one of the largest prize pools offered in Australia, the 2023 Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show is not to be missed!



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# Message from the CEO

**There's nothing like winning a Melbourne Royal Blue Ribbon in a commemorative year. Melbourne Royal celebrates 175 years in 2023 and you're invited to experience the thrill and excitement of competing to win Best in Show.**

It is with great excitement and anticipation that we look forward to the 2023 Melbourne Royal Show being held at Melbourne Showgrounds from **Thursday 21 September to Sunday 1 October**.

This year we proudly celebrate **175 years** of Melbourne Royal, and we invite you to join in the celebrations and enter the Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show. The All Breeds Championship Show will be one of our feature competitions and attractions at the 2023 Melbourne Royal Show.

There is nothing like the thrill and excitement of winning a Melbourne Royal blue ribbon, in particular Best in Show, and this year will be even more special as Melbourne Royal celebrates 175 years with commemorative ribbons. We expect that across the 5,000 classes there will be more than 3,700 dogs entered across 200 breeds, which will ensure that the Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show remains one of the largest and most prestigious dog shows in the Southern Hemisphere.

It would not be possible to present the Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show without the support and assistance of everyone involved. Melbourne Royal is most grateful to Dogs Victoria along with all our valued sponsors, partners, officials, volunteer stewards, suppliers, breeders and exhibitors.

I thank our Melbourne Royal Dog Section Committee for the ongoing advice, counsel and support they provide to the Melbourne Royal team. The commitment, enthusiasm and passion of Andrew Burt, Committee Chair and Gael Wilcock, Vice Chair along with committee members Tyron Atkinson, Lois Wilkinson, Clive Makepeace, Heather Tilley, Judith Oliver and Anthony Price greatly assists Melbourne Royal in presenting a world class dog show for exhibitors to enjoy.

The Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show will commence from **Thursday 21 September**, with **General Specials** and **Best in Show** to be held on **Saturday 30 September**. The Action Dog program is a Double Rally Trial to be held on **Thursday 21 September** followed by Obedience on **Friday 22 September** and Agility/Jumping Trial on **Saturday 23 September**, with Agility Games and Open Jumping on **Sunday 24 September**.

Melbourne Royal invites you to enter the 2023 All Breeds Championship Show and trusts that you and your family and friends will have a most enjoyable and memorable experience being involved.

**Brad Jenkins**  
Chief Executive Officer



# Welcome from the *Chairman*

## Join us for a very special All Breeds Championship Show in 2023.

The Melbourne Royal Dog Section Committee is very much looking forward to presenting the 2023 All Breeds Championship Show and we trust you are too.

This is one of the largest and most prestigious events in the Southern Hemisphere and this year it will be even bigger and more special.

This year we celebrate the 175th Anniversary of Melbourne Royal – what a milestone and achievement! Year in year out the very best show dogs in Australia are presented to the judging panel and some of Australia's finest dogs have graced the Best in Show podium. We eagerly look forward to the Best In Show awards in 2023.

Melbourne Royal proudly presents the All Breeds Championship Show with their valued partner Dogs Victoria to celebrate pure bred dogs and responsible dog ownership, both of which are of vital importance to our exhibitors and breeders.

This year there is an outstanding line up of international judges for the conformation classes, together with an astute panel of Australian judges adjudicating over our Action Dog and Sweepstakes competitions. The international judges are extremely well credentialed and are known worldwide for their outstanding ability to find breed type throughout their entry, so we hope to attract exhibits from all over Australia.

It's the people involved with Melbourne Royal that make the Show special and in particular the fabulous volunteer stewards who are a vital part of presenting a successful All Breeds Championship Show. Thank you to all of them, as the team works so efficiently and effectively to provide all exhibitors with a positive ring experience and a great day at the Melbourne Royal Show.

On behalf of Melbourne Royal and the Dog Section Committee, I invite you to join us by entering your dog in the 2023 All Breeds Championship Show to experience a wonderful day full of camaraderie, suspense and excitement; and the opportunity to win a prestigious Melbourne Royal blue ribbon.

**Andrew Burt**  
Chairman  
Melbourne Royal Dog Committee

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# Melbourne Royal Show is *Bigger and Better* in 2023

The Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show is one of the largest of its kind in the Southern Hemisphere. The competition is governed by the rules and regulations of Dogs Victoria.



Around 3,700 entries across 200 breeds competed in the 2022 All Breeds Championship Show to win a prestigious Melbourne Royal blue ribbon.

The All Breeds Championship Show is one of the feature events at the Melbourne Royal Show and attracts visitors from all over Victoria and interstate.

A panel of international and Australian experts will judge at the 2023 Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show including Zeljko Gajic (Slovenia), Gyorgy Tesics (Hungary), Gerardo Paolucci (Argentina), Annika Ulltveit-Moe (Sweden), Simon Mills (NSW), Kim Houlden (VIC), Maribeth Murphy (VIC), Barry Cotton (VIC) and Jenny Taylor (NSW).

Melbourne Royal is committed to maximising the appeal and success of the Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show and in recent years has expanded the event program, to include breed specialties, a new Action Dog Double Rally Trial and a Brace Class.



# What's *New* at the 2023 Melbourne Royal Show

Melbourne Royal is proud to present the 2023 All Breeds Championship Show and introduce some exciting new changes.

- Entries will open later than usual and remain open for eight weeks only, enter early to ensure you enjoy the return of the 2023 Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show.
- The online results page has been improved to allow for easier navigation.
- To provide a lasting memento, e-certificates are being introduced for class placings and will be emailed directly to successful exhibitors who have placed in their chosen class.

## Exhibitor Benefits

Exhibitors will be given the opportunity to:

- Take a break from the visiting public with the closure of the benching pavilion (Pavilion 19) during lunchtime.
- Share in one of Australia's largest prize pools.
- Showcase your breed to hundreds of thousands of visitors at the Show.
- Receive one complimentary admission ticket per exhibit to the 2023 Melbourne Royal Show, for each day that the exhibit participates (subject to availability).
- Receive a complimentary PDF copy of the 2023 catalogue.

## Key Dates

### Melbourne Royal Show:

21 September –  
1 October 2023

### Entries Open:

Thursday 1 June 2023

### Entries Close:

Tuesday 1 August 2023

### Baby Puppy Entries Close:

5pm, Friday 18 August 2023

### Conformation Judging:

Friday 22 September –  
Saturday 30 September 2023

### General Specials Day:

Saturday 30 September 2023

### Action Dog Judging:

Thursday 21 September 2023  
Friday 22 September 2023  
Saturday 23 September 2023  
Sunday 24 September 2023

**“Winning the 2019 Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show was as good as it gets. It was the pinnacle achievement and we are so proud!”**

Mr Jarrod Tyler, 2019 Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show.

Enter today and be part of the action, excitement and prestige of the 2023 Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show.

# Introducing the 2023 *Judging Panel*

## CONFORMATION



### **ANNIKA ULLTVEIT-MOE (SWEDEN)**

**Group 2b (Dandie Dinmont Terriers)**

**Group 3b (Balance of Breeds) and Group Specials**

**Group 4a (Whippets)**

**Group 6a (Dogue de Bordeaux, Samoyeds)**

**Group 7b (Lhasa Apso, Shih Tzu, Tibetan Terriers)**

**Group 1a (Affenpinschers)**

### **BEST IN SHOW**

Annika's involvement with all levels of pedigree dogs spans more than half a century. She breeds under the kennel name "Whisborne". The Whisborne Kennel has bred or owned over 180 Champions across several breeds which is no easy feat!

In 1969 Annika Ulltveit-Moe met her future husband, who was already involved with the breeding and exhibiting of Rough and Smooth Collies and was the very young Chairman of the Norwegian Collie Club. Very soon after she purchased an American Cocker Spaniel and the rest is history.

Annika's main breeds have been English Springer Spaniels and Lhasa Apso, but she has also been involved with, and made Champions in American Cocker Spaniels, her original breed, Shih Tzu and a few others. She won the Top Dog All Breeds title in Norway with a Shih Tzu. The Whisborne Springers have been particularly successful, having produced Group and Specialty winners right across Europe. One of Annika's best dogs was Ch Whisborne Devil in Disguise and his list of wins includes Group wins at World Dog Shows. The Lhasas have also won at the highest levels all over the world, including Best in Shows at many Scandinavian shows.

Nowadays, her focus is very much on Dandie Dinmont Terriers. The dogs bred under the Whisborne prefix have already won Terrier Groups and top awards. The Whisborne prefix will celebrate 60 years breeding in 2024, which Annika is rightly proud of.

Annika was first licensed to judge in her home country of Norway in 1984 and became an active all-rounder in 2001. Since then her judging has taken her to many areas of the globe, having judged at some very prestigious events. These include World Dog Shows and European Dog Shows and Sydney Royal. However, Annika believes that shows, whether big or small, are all important and bring her a new challenge.

Annika has also been involved with numerous Scandinavian Clubs and is currently President of the Swedish Tibetan Breeds Club. Judge education is extremely important to Annika, and she is very much involved with the education of Trainee Judges both in the ring and outside. In the last year she was involved in a large number of breed seminars for judges conducted at her home and to her credit she believes it is extremely important for the experienced judges to share their knowledge and experience with those beginning their judging journey.

Annika Ulltveit-Moe is an outstanding dog woman and a celebrated judge of the highest calibre. She is very much looking forward to judging at the 2023 Melbourne Royal Show and is very honoured to be part of the panel. It is nearly 9 years since Annika was in Australia and we are absolutely delighted to welcome her to Melbourne.

# Introducing the 2023 Judging Panel

## CONFORMATION



### ZELJKO GAJIC (SLOVENIA)

**Group 1b (Balance of Breeds) and Group Specials**

**Group 2c (Balance of Breeds) and Group Specials**

**Group 7a (Boston Terriers)**

**BRACE IN SHOW**

Zeljko Gajic loves dogs and sees the Dog World as more than just a hobby, but a passion and way of life. He was born in Belgrade in 1965. He purchased his first purebred dog, a silver Miniature Poodle in 1982. This was the start of a wonderful association with dogs and the dog world. He registered his first kennel name, "Of Golden Wonderland" in 1982.

Zeljko has bred Miniature Poodles in colours of apricot, white and black, together with black Miniature Schnauzers. He currently breeds black Miniatures under the "Gaycolands" prefix. Over 20 years he has bred many Champions and Best in Show winners, competing across many countries of Europe.

In 1992 Zeljko's judging journey began when he qualified as a Poodle Judge. He now judges the Toy, Terrier, Sighthound and Dachshund Groups, together with some other breeds. Zeljko has judged widely across Europe, together with Specialty appointments in Australia in 2016. Zeljko has judged at prestigious shows including the European Dog Show, Split Summer Night Shows and many large prestigious International Shows in many countries across Europe.

Zeljko is a very experienced judge in FCI Groups 3, 4, 9 and 10. Zeljko takes his judging seriously, always endeavouring to understand breed type. He is passionate about the Toy/Companion Dog breeds and testament to his love of the Toy Breeds is the fact he is the President of the Slovenian Toy Dog Club. Zeljko is a member of the Board of the Slovenian Kennel Club. He is the Slovenian delegate for the FCI Show Judges Committee. Zeljko also spends time with the training of new judges for the Toy Breeds in his country.

Zeljko is a Dentist by profession and speaks fluent English, French and Italian.

Zeljko has previously judged two specialties in Sydney, Australia, but this will be his first trip to Melbourne and his first appointment at an All Breeds Show. It is seven years since Zeljko was in Australia and we are so pleased to have such a passionate, knowledgeable judge who is a pleasure to exhibit under as a member of the 2023 Melbourne Royal panel.

# Introducing the 2023 Judging Panel

## CONFORMATION



### **GERARDO PAOLUCCI (ARGENTINA)**

**Group 2a (Cairn Terriers)**

**Group 3a (Irish Setters)**

**Group 6b (Balance of Breeds) and Group Specials**

**Group 7c (Balance of Breeds) and Group Specials**

**PUPPY IN SHOW**

Gerardo's time with purebred dogs began when, at 10 years of age, his mother took him to a dog show. He asked her to purchase a Rough Coated Collie and they began to show and breed. This was the beginning of a love lasting over half a century with dogs.

Gerardo is a recognised breeder of Irish Setters, Old English Sheepdogs and Miniature Schnauzer and Cairn Terriers under the "B.I.S." prefix. He has bred many champions and at least one World Champion in each of his breeds. His dogs have gained the Top Dog in Argentina four times, the latest being with a Cairn Terrier in 2017. Over the years, he has owned, bred or handled some 280 Champions – by no means a small feat!

Gerardo's judging career commenced over 30 years ago when he qualified as a judge of Irish Setters in 1990. Fourteen years later, in 2004, he became an All Rounder. He has judged widely across the globe, with appointments on all six continents. His appointments have included the European Dog Show, World Dog Show in Brazil in 2022, and he will judge at the World Dog Show in Switzerland in 2023.

Gerardo's involvement in dogs extends beyond breeding, exhibiting and judging. He is a popular presenter of quality seminars in Brazil and abroad on subjects ranging from breed specific presentations to handling and grooming. Testament to his credentials, he has been President of the Judges Bod in Argentina for 7 years.

Gerardo is a true dog person, having devoted over 50 years to dog handling, exhibiting, judging and involvement in other canine related activities. Melbourne Royal were lucky to have Gerardo officiate at the 2012 Melbourne Royal and he was extremely well received by our Toy and Terrier exhibitors. Melbourne Royal is thrilled to have Gerardo return, having not judged in Australia since 2017, and not in Melbourne since 2012. Welcome back Gerardo!

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### **DR GYÖRGY TESICS (HUNGARY)**

**Group 4b (Balance of Breeds) and Group Specials**

**Group 5 (Working Dogs) and Group Specials**

**BABY PUPPY IN SHOW**

György Tesics was born and raised in Novi Sad, Yugoslavia, but has been living in Budapest, Hungary since 2000. György entered the dog world with Afghan Hounds. From the moment he began, he has been very passionate about dogs generally, and especially the beauty, character, speed and power of the sighthounds.

György bred and exhibited Afghans under the Ben Bens prefix, but now owns Sloughi. He discovered this special breed some 25 years ago, finding them to be a perfect breed for him. Since then he has been exhibiting the breed, also participating in lure coursing competitions.

György developed the first Dog Specialised Magazine “Moj Pas” in the former Yugoslavia and was Chief Editor for the first four years. György began his judging career as a natural progression from breeding and exhibiting over 30 years ago. He is now an approved FCI Best In Show judge. György is also a Lure Coursing Judge. György has judged widely across the continents of Europe, Scandinavia, Asia, Australia and North America, adjudicating in over 30 countries including Russian, Finland, Sweden and the USA.

György has judged at many International CACIB shows, and some of the most prestigious sighthound shows, together with other well-known shows around the world including the Donaueschingen Sighthound Specialty in Germany, the Australian Afghan Hound National and USA Afghan Specialties, Adelaide Royal, Nitro 2019, Helsinki Mastery Show, The French Championship, Helsinki Winners. György also has invites for forthcoming European Dog Shows (EDS), and the Orlando cluster.

György is a member of the Board of Judges for the Hungarian Kennel Club, thus passing on his experience and expertise to younger judges. He actively participates in seminars for judges with the Hungarian Kennel Club, both relating to conformation judging and lure coursing.

Wherever György travels and judges, he is remembered for his kind and considerate and knowledgeable approach to both exhibitors and dogs. György loves dogs and has been able to balance his love with his judging, his professional life and his family life – not always an easy task to achieve. Professionally György is a dentist, running a dental clinic in Budapest, where he works as a specialist in Periodontology and oral medicine. György speaks fluent Serbian, Hungarian, German and English.

György’s last appointment in Australia was at Adelaide Royal Show. This will be his first appointment in Victoria, and he is absolutely thrilled to be invited to such a prestigious event. We are delighted to welcome György Tesics to the Melbourne Royal Show.

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## SWEEPSTAKES



### **SIMON MILLS (NSW)**

#### **SWEEPSTAKES CLASSES**

Simon Mills has been involved in the breeding and exhibiting of dogs since childhood. His career in the dog world spans over 40 years. His initial involvement was with Weimaraners which he exhibited and bred for over 25 years. Simon, together with his daughter, currently exhibit and breed Jack Russell Terriers and Fox Terriers (Smooth) under the Clayco prefix. Simon has experienced major success in the conformation ring, including Royal group wins, together with BIS Royal placements.

The Clayco kennel has had major success in the conformation ring and have produced excellent breeding stock for other kennels and have exported stock to both Japan and the USA. Testament to the quality stock is that Clayco has produced National speciality winners, regional speciality winners, all breeds Best in Show winners and numerous Best in Group winners.

Simon has also owned and had involvement in various breeds including Weimaraners, German Shorthaired Pointers, Whippets, Foxhounds and Beagles. He has prepared and shown many coated terriers to major winners with numerous Best in Shows at all breeds and breed speciality shows. Simon's early involvement with Gundogs also meant he had exposure with field and obedience work.

Simon considers himself a breeder first and foremost. His early development and engagement in breeding and exhibiting which gave Simon a good grounding in the dog world. The countless hours of discussions, puppy day assessments, and later also lectures, with leading breeders and judges has enhanced his evolution into the successful exhibitor, breeder and judge today. Simon believes that many Australian breeders have progressed with their chosen breed to highest level in this country, and that Australian show dogs are some of the best in the world!

Simon's judging career began in the late 90's and he was awarded his first licence in 1998. He gained his All Breeds status in 2018. Simon has been very fortunate to have judged at all breeds, group and speciality shows throughout the world. These include countries such as England, Japan, Denmark, Sweden, Austria, Philippines and New Zealand, together with appointments across Australia. Highlights have been awarding CCs to Weimaraners in the UK, together with judging at the prestigious 2019 European Dog Show in Austria.

Simon has also held various positions on ACT dog clubs and has served on the Governing Council of DOGSACT, including the position of President for over 12 years. This in turn required him to be a Director on the ANKC. The administration side of the dog world has given Simon an appreciation of the dedicated people serving in our Australian dog world.

Simon Mills is very passionate about breeding, exhibiting and judging dogs, together with the promotion of purebred dogs and dog sports. He feels extremely privileged to be invited to officiate over the Sweepstakes Classes at the 2023 Melbourne Royal Show.

# Introducing the 2023 Judging Panel

## ACTION DOGS PROGRAM



### **KIM HOULDEN (VIC)**

#### **RALLY TRIAL 1**

Kim's interest in Obedience commenced when her family purchased their first Golden Retriever in 1988, Cleo gained her Novice and Open titles.

Kim took up Tracking after her second Golden Retriever gained his Novice title and he completed his Tracking & Tracking Dog Excellent titles. Her first performance judging licence was Tracking in 2004.

Kim was later encouraged to commence Obedience judging and gained her CCD licence in 2008. She had a break from Obedience Judges' training to concentrate on trialling her own dogs for quite a few years after that, gaining titles from CCD through to Open and trialling in UD.

In 2009 Kim gained her Track & Search licence, Rally Obedience in 2011 and Novice & Open Obedience in 2015 & 2016. In June 2017 Kim successfully completed both UD and UDX practical exams to become a full panel obedience judge.

Kim's dogs bred under the Goldnymph prefix compete successfully in Conformation, Tracking, Track & Search, Obedience and Rally and have gained many titles over the years. She is currently successfully campaigning two young Golden Retrievers in the show ring and training three for obedience and tracking.

Kim judges regularly in Victoria and interstate. She has judged Obedience and Rally at National Trials for several breed clubs over the years, with appointments for the German Shepherd and Labrador Nationals in Victoria in 2023.

Kim has also been a member of the Dogs Victoria-Obedience, Tracking & Endurance Committee Training and Assessment panel for Obedience, Rally, Tracking and Track & Search for many years. She has found it very rewarding to mentor new trainees in these disciplines and to see them pass and become competent judges.

Kim was thrilled to judge Obedience at the 2019 Melbourne Royal Show and is excited to be judging Rally at the 2023 Show.

Kim wishes all competitors the best of luck and hopes everyone has a fun day.

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### MARIBETH MURPHY (VIC)

#### RALLY TRIAL 2

Maribeth's love of animals, in particular dogs, stems back to her grandfather, who raised Beagles and English Setters (which competed quite successfully in Field Trials). This passion for animals also led to her career choice as a Veterinary Surgeon. Upon graduation from the University of Pennsylvania School of Veterinary Medicine (USA) in 1990, she emigrated to Australia.

Maribeth has trained a number of dogs in multiple sports over the years-Tracking, Track and Search, Obedience, Rally and Scent work. She continues to compete with her current dogs, a Dobermann and two mini Dachshunds.

Through the encouragement of several people from her local clubs, East Gippsland DOC (Sale) and Gippsland ODC (Morwell), Maribeth became a Rally judge. She has enjoyed judging appointments around Victoria and in NSW. Recently she has pursued Obedience judging licences and is currently qualified to judge CCD, Novice and Open. This year she will be doing her exams for UD and UDX. She has also been mentoring a new Rally judge trainee for the past two years.

Maribeth loves the challenge of Rally, which encourages a strong bond between handler and dog. She considers it a great honour and privilege to be judging at Melbourne Royal and looks forward to judging some talented Rally dogs at the Melbourne Royal Show 2023.



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### **BARRY COTTON (VIC)**

#### **OBEDIENCE TRIAL**

Barry's first introduction to the world of obedience was in 1987 when the family got an Australian Cattle Dog puppy who quickly turned into a very naughty puppy. After seeing an advert in the local paper for an obedience club he joined Berwick Obedience Dog Club. As he progressed through the classes he became hooked on obedience.

Over the years at the club Barry joined the committee doing many jobs from President to Grounds Manager as well as becoming an Instructor.

In 2011 Barry decided to find out about becoming an Obedience judge. He became a full panel Obedience judge in 2016. His only regret – he wished he had started earlier as he loves being an Obedience judge.

From the time he started judging Barry has judged at many local trials and around the State. In 2019 he had the privilege of judging at the 47th German Shepherd National in Melbourne and calling the Winner of Winners.

Since his first Cattle Dog Barry's family have had four Border Collies which he has trialled in Obedience with some success.

Barry is looking forward to his appointment judging Obedience at the 2023 Melbourne Royal Show.

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### JENNY TAYLOR (NSW)

AGILITY/JUMPING AND GAMES TRIAL

Jenny lives in Kempsey on the Mid-North Coast of New South Wales (NSW). She joined Dogs NSW in 1998 to enter an Obedience Trial, entered her first Agility Trial with Bidy, a Working Border Collie, and soon became hooked on trialling. Having trialled many working dogs that have been given to her by local farmers, she is currently trialling Australian Kelpies.

Jenny has trained six dogs to Masters titles in Agility, Jumping and Games and two Agility Champions. She won NSW Dog of the Year with Lilly (Kelpie X) and the Masters Jumping Final at SA National Agility Trial in 2016 with Frigate (Working Border Collie). Niche, her Australian Kelpie, was Runner Up in Masters Jumping at the Victorian National Agility Trial in 2018.

Wanting to give something back to the sport she loves, Jenny became an Agility judge in 2008 and gained her Games licence in 2009. She has judged in NSW and Interstate including Border Collie Nationals in Queensland and Finals events at both NSW and Victorian National Agility Trials.

Jenny designs fast-flowing courses to test the skills of the dog and handler and loves watching handler and dog teams run them.

Jenny is looking forward to seeing how the competitors at the 2023 Melbourne Royal Show run their dogs and wishes everyone good luck for the Agility and Games.



## **There's nothing like winning a *Melbourne Royal* Blue Ribbon in a commemorative year.**

Melbourne Royal is a member-based not-for-profit organisation that has been celebrating agriculture since 1848 when it was formed as the Moonee Ponds Farmer's Society and later The Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria.

In 2023, Melbourne Royal proudly celebrates 175 years, and you are invited to join in the celebrations by competing in the Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show at the 2023 Melbourne Royal Show.

There is nothing like the thrill and excitement of winning a coveted Melbourne Royal blue ribbon, particularly in 2023 with special commemorative ribbons and prizes being presented.

Be part of the action of the Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show to be held from Thursday 21 September to Sunday 1 October at Melbourne Showgrounds.

Enter now! Visit [melbourneroyal.com.au](http://melbourneroyal.com.au)



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175 YEARS  
1848 - 2023

# Entry Information and *Guidelines*

## Entry Closing Date

Entries to the Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show held at the 2023 Melbourne Royal Show close at 5pm, Tuesday 1 August 2023, excluding Baby Puppy entries which close at 5pm, Friday, 18 August 2023

## General and Special Regulations

The Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show is conducted under the General and Special Regulations of Melbourne Royal and the Rules and Regulations of Dogs Victoria form part of the conditions of entry.

Special Regulations override any General Regulations where a conflict occurs.

A copy of the Melbourne Royal General Regulations and Dogs Victoria Rules and Regulations may be inspected at the offices of the Melbourne Royal or are available at [www.melbourneroval.com.au](http://www.melbourneroval.com.au).

## Melbourne Royal Membership

Become a member of Melbourne Royal when you enter the All Breeds Championship Show and reap the benefits.

Melbourne Royal Full Membership provides you with access to a range of exclusive privileges and benefits including complimentary admission for you and a guest to all 11 days of the Melbourne Royal Show (subject to availability), discounted entry fees for the All Breeds Championship Show along with access to hospitality areas, car parking at special member rates and much more.

For more information regarding great value Melbourne Royal Membership, visit [www.melbourneroval.com.au](http://www.melbourneroval.com.au).



# Entry Information and Guidelines

## 2023 Entry Fees

### Melbourne Royal Members:

Conformation: (select from Classes 2 to 11 and 2A to 11A) .....	\$27.00
Baby Puppy: (select from Classes 1 and 1A) .....	\$20.00
Action Dog: (1st entry per dog – select from available listed classes in Rally, Obedience, Agility, Jumping and Agility Games) .....	\$27.00
Action Dog: (2nd and subsequent entries per dog – select from available listed classes in Rally, Obedience, Agility, Jumping and Agility Games) .....	\$14.00
Sweepstakes: (select from Baby Puppy, Puppy, Champion, Neutered, Veterans 7 years and over) .....	\$17.00
Brace Class: (Class 13) .....	\$22.00
Junior Showmanship (entries can be lodged on the day until 3pm) .....	FREE

### Non-Melbourne Royal Members:

Conformation: (select from Classes 2 to 11 and 2A to 11A) .....	\$36.00
Baby Puppy: (select from Classes 1 and 1A) .....	\$25.00
Action Dog: (1st entry per dog – select from available listed classes in Rally, Obedience, Agility, Jumping and Agility Games) .....	\$36.00
Action Dog: (2nd and subsequent entries per dog – select from available listed classes in Rally, Obedience, Agility, Jumping and Agility Games) .....	\$14.00
Sweepstakes: (select from Baby Puppy, Puppy, Champion, Neutered, Veterans 7 years and over) .....	\$17.00
Brace Class: (Class 13) .....	\$30.00
Junior Showmanship (entries can be lodged on the day until 3pm) .....	FREE

### Additional Items:

Printed Catalogue (pre-order online or purchase at Show) .....	\$30.00
Administration Fee for Paper Entries (paid once per exhibitor regardless of how many dogs entered) .....	\$20.00

# How to *Enter*

Entries can be made via either the online entry system or by completing the relevant paper entry forms which are located at the back of this booklet.

The following competitions can be entered using Melbourne Royal's online entry system OR offline (paper based) entry:

- Conformation (all classes)
- Sweepstakes (all classes)
- Brace Class
- Action Dog (all classes)

## Junior Showmanship

Junior competitors will be required to provide their name, an email address and a mobile phone number to enter. Entries can be completed until 3pm on the day that you wish to compete. If you wish to compete on multiple days, you will need to enter for each day.

Registration opportunities will be available at the Administration office (located in Pavilion 19).

If you are competing on multiple days, you will need to collect new numbers each day you are competing.

## Breed Specialty

Entries for Breed Club Specialty Show Competitions are managed by each participating Breed Club. Exhibitors interested in entering their Breed Specialty are requested to contact their Breed Club and lodge their entry with that organisation, who will then organise your entry.

## Online Entry

The online entry system can be accessed via [www.melbourneroyal.com.au](http://www.melbourneroyal.com.au). Simply click onto the Melbourne Royal Show button and then select 'Dogs' from the drop down menu. If entering using the Melbourne Royal online entry system please ensure that you read all user instructions, terms and conditions prior to entering. Payment can be made by either Visa or MasterCard.

## Offline (Paper based)

A "one off" \$20.00 administration fee will be charged for all paper based entries, per exhibitor (regardless of the number of dogs entered). Entry forms for all disciplines can be located at the back of this booklet. Pages 1 and 2 **MUST** be completed and signed.

If entering Conformation or any Action Dog Class, complete pages 1 and 2 of entry forms and attach an official cheque book style entry form for Conformation or an ANKC approved form for Rally, Obedience or Agility – one per exhibit.

If entering Sweepstakes or Brace Class complete the relevant entry form on pages 3 or 4 and attach to completed pages 1 and 2.

Once you have completed the relevant entry forms for all disciplines and classes in which you would like to exhibit, please forward to:

Dog Event Manager  
Melbourne Royal, Melbourne Showgrounds  
Epsom Road, Ascot Vale VIC 3032

Ensure your payment and any relevant payment details are forwarded with your completed entry forms. Offline (paper based) entries can be lodged with Melbourne Royal by:

- Australia Post (Standard, Registered or Express Mail).
- Delivered to Melbourne Royal by hand.

# Conditions, Rules and Regulations Pertaining to *Entering and Competing*

Exhibitors are advised to read all of the regulations and conditions that pertain to entering and participating at the 2023 Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show. Regulations and conditions can be located under entries at [www.melbourneroyal.com.au/dogs](http://www.melbourneroyal.com.au/dogs). Exhibitors will be required to comply in full with the regulations and conditions pertaining to entry.

All dogs must be benched from 9am until 5pm.

The age of all dogs is to be calculated as at the first day of CONFORMATION judging (Friday 22 September 2023).

All dogs shall be entered in only one Ordinary Class. (Sweepstakes classes are not considered Ordinary Classes) All dogs entered in Baby Puppy, Puppy, and Champion Sweepstakes must also be entered in one Ordinary Class (exception made only for those exhibits entered into Neutered or Veteran Sweepstakes classes).

## **Breed Club Specialty Show Competitions**

Breed Club Specialty Show Competitions are held in conjunction with the Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show.

Exhibitors wishing to enter their Breed Specialty are to contact their Breed Club for entry details. The participating Breed Club is responsible for managing all entries for the Breed Specialty Shows. Melbourne Royal does not organise the entries or benching for these entries.

## **Junior Showmanship Conditions of Entry**

Entries for Junior Showmanship Competition are required to be lodged on the day up until 3pm on the day of heat judging. See the 'How to Enter' section on page 22 of this schedule.

Entrants can continue to compete until qualified to compete in the finals (eligible if winner of 1st place in a heat). The winner of each heat will be invited to return to compete in the final on General Specials Day. Should the winner of a heat be unable to return on General Specials Day, the second place winner will then compete in the finals. This must be arranged and confirmed by both parties with the Program Coordinator by 5pm on the day of actual judging.

Exhibit used must be entered and shown in its breed class on the day it is handled in the Junior Showmanship Competition. Judges for heats will be announced prior to commencement of judging each day. Judge for the finals will be a member of the Judging Panel and will be announced prior to the judging of the finals.

The finals for the Junior Showmanship Competition will occur after Group Specials and before Best In Show judging on General Specials Day.

Exhibits used for the final of the Junior Showmanship Competition are not required to be shown on the day.

# Conditions, Rules and Regulations Pertaining to Entering and Competing

## Policy regarding Melbourne Royal Dog Committee and Stewards

Ring Stewards involved with the 2023 Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show will not be permitted to handle exhibits during the Show.

Exhibits owned or co-owned by members of the Dog Committee of Melbourne Royal or any person permanently residing at the place of residence of a Committee Member within 6 months preceding the first day of the Melbourne Royal Show will not be permitted to be exhibited at the Show.

## Judging Timetables

Judging Commencement Times (unless otherwise advised):

- Judging of Conformation 22 September – 30 September will not commence before 9am
- Breed Club Speciality Show Competitions will commence on conclusion of designated judge's daily judging of Ordinary Classes
- Judging of Rally Trials will not commence before 9am on 21 September. Both Rally Trials will be judged concurrently.
- Check in / Vetting for Rally will be between 8am and 8.30am
- Judging of Obedience Trial will not commence before 9am on 22 September
- Check in / Vetting for Obedience will be between 8am and 8.30am
- Judging of Agility and Jumping Trial will not commence before 8.30am on 23 September
- Check in for Agility and Jumping will be between 7.15am and 8am
- Judging of Agility Games Trial will not commence before 9am on 24 September
- Check in for Agility Games will be between 8am and 8.30am



# Judging Schedule

## Thursday 21 September 2023

### Action Dogs – Double Rally Trial

#### RALLY TRIAL 1

Order of Judging: (Mrs Kim Houlden) Novice, Advanced, Excellent, Masters

#### RALLY TRIAL 2

Order of Judging: (Dr Maribeth Murphy) Masters, Excellent, Advanced, Novice

## Friday 22 September 2023

Mr Z Gajic	Mr G Paolucci	Ms A Ulltveit-Moe	Dr G Tesics
Chihuahua (Smooth Coat)	Schipperke	Murray River Retriever	Welsh Corgi (Cardigan)
Chihuahua (Long Coat)	Sharpei	Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever	Welsh Corgi (Pembroke)
Chinese Crested Dog	German Spitz (Klein)	Golden Retriever	Portuguese Podengo Small (Smooth Haired)
Russian Toy (Long Haired)	German Spitz (Mittel)	Large Munsterlander	Portuguese Podengo Small (Wire Haired)
Russian Toy (Smooth Haired)	Canaan Dog	Wirehaired Slovakian Pointer	Portuguese Podengo Med (Smooth Haired)
Coton du Tulear	Chow Chow		Portuguese Podengo Med (Wire Haired)
Australian Silky Terrier	British Bulldog		Portuguese Podengo Large (Smooth Haired)
English Toy Terrier	Japanese Spitz		Portuguese Podengo Large (Wire Haired)
Yorkshire Terrier	Cairn Terrier		Norwegian Elkhound
Tibetan Spaniel			Saluki
Airedale Terrier			Sloughi
American Hairless Terrier			Azawakh
Bull Terrier			
Bull Terrier Miniature			
Cesky Terrier			

**Action Dogs – Obedience Trial – Order of Judging:** (Mr Barry Cotton) UDX,UD, CCD, CD, CDX, Best in Trial.

**Breed Specialty:** Schipperke

# Judging Schedule

<b>Saturday 23 September 2023</b>			
<b>Mr Z Gajic</b>	<b>Mr G Paolucci</b>	<b>Ms A Ulltveit-Moe</b>	<b>Dr G Tesics</b>
Fox Terrier (Wire)	Dalmatian	Gordon Setter	Dachshund (Long Haired)
Boston Terrier	Dobermann	English Setter	Dachshund (Min Long Haired)
Border Terrier	Irish Setter	Irish Red & White Setter	Dachshund (Smooth Haired)
Fox Terrier (Smooth)	Shiba Inu	Flat Coated Retriever	Dachshund (Min Smooth Haired)
German Hunting Terrier	Shikoku	Curly Coated Retriever	Dachshund (Wire Haired)
Glen of Imaal Terrier			Dachshund (Min Wire Haired)
Irish Terrier			Dachshund Rabbit (Long Haired)
Skye Terrier			Dachshund Rabbit (Smooth Haired)
Parson Russell Terrier			Dachshund Rabbit (Wire Haired)
			Icelandic Sheepdog
			Norwegian Buhund
			Swedish Vallhund
			Swedish Lapphund
			Basenji
<b>Action Dogs – Agility &amp; Jumping- Order of Judging:</b> (Ms Jenny Taylor) ADO, ADX, ADM, AD, JDX, JDM, JD			
<b>Breed Specialty:</b> Boston Terrier			

# Judging Schedule

## Sunday 24 September 2023

Mr Z Gajic	Mr G Paolucci	Ms A Ulltveit-Moe	Dr G Tesics
Papillon	French Bulldog	Samoyed	Australian Cattle Dog
Pekingese		Lhasa Apso	Australian Kelpie
			Australian Stumpy Tail Cattle Dog
			Foxhound
			Harrier
			Pharaoh Hound

**Sweepstakes – Order of Judging:** (Mr S Mills): Baby Puppy, Puppy, Neuter, Veteran, Champion

**Action Dogs – Agility Games Trial – Order of Judging:** (Ms Jenny Taylor) SD, SDX, SDM, GD, GDX, GDM, SPD, SPDX, SPDM, JDO

**Breed Specialty:** French Bulldog

## Monday 25 September 2023

Mr Z Gajic	Mr G Paolucci	Ms A Ulltveit-Moe	Dr G Tesics
Griffon Bruxellois	Schnauzer	Whippet	Beagle
King Charles Spaniel	Schnauzer (Miniature)	Cocker Spaniel (American)	Border Collie
Lowchen	Schnauzer (Giant)		Bearded Collie
Maltese	Keeshond		White Swiss Shepherd Dog
Pomeranian			
Cavalier King Charles Spaniel			

**Breed Specialties:** Beagle

## Judging Schedule

<b>Tuesday 26 September 2023</b>			
<b>Mr Z Gajic</b>	<b>Mr G Paolucci</b>	<b>Ms A Ulltveit-Moe</b>	<b>Dr G Tesics</b>
Scottish Terrier	Poodle (Toy)	Weimaraner	Rhodesian Ridgeback
Sealyham Terrier	Poodle (Miniature)	Weimaraner (Long Hair)	Australian Shepherd
Norfolk Terrier	Poodle (Standard)	Hungarian Vizsla	Old English Sheepdog
Norwich Terrier	Pyrenean Mastiff	Hungarian Wire Haired Vizsla	Pumi
Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier	Mastiff	Cocker Spaniel	Shetland Sheepdog
Tenterfield Terrier	Bullmastiff	Dogue De Bordeaux	Miniature American Shepherd
Welsh Terrier	Neapolitan Mastiff		
West Highland White Terrier	Tibetan Mastiff		
Australian Terrier	Spanish Mastiff		
Bedlington Terrier			
<b>Breed Specialty:</b> Poodle			

## Judging Schedule

<b>Wednesday 27 September 2023</b>			
<b>Mr Z Gajic</b>	<b>Mr G Paolucci</b>	<b>Ms A Ulltveit-Moe</b>	<b>Dr G Tesics</b>
American Staffordshire Terrier	Bernese Mountain Dog	Pointer	Basset Hound
Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Akita	Bracco Italiano	Basset Fauve de Bretagne
	Akita (Japanese)	Brittany	Black & Tan Coonhound
	Boxer	Chesapeake Bay Retriever	Bloodhound
	Portuguese Water Dog	German Wirehaired Pointer	Bluetick Coonhound
	Rottweiler	German Shorthaired Pointer	Cirneco Dell'etna
	Russian Black Terrier		Hamiltonstovare
	Cane Corso		Greyhound
	Anatolian Shepherd Dog		Afghan Hound
	Canadian Eskimo Dog		Komondor
	Caucasian Shepherd Dog		Kuvasz
	Central Asian Shepherd Dog		Beauceron
	Estrela Mountain Dog		
	Great Swiss Mountain Dog		
	Kangal Shepherd Dog		
<b>Breed Specialty:</b> American Staffordshire Terrier			

## Judging Schedule

Thursday 28 September 2023			
Mr Z Gajic	Mr G Paolucci	Ms A Ulltveit-Moe	Dr G Tesics
Jack Russell Terrier	Great Dane	Labrador Retriever	German Shepherd Dog
Japanese Chin	Australasian Bosdog	Tibetan Terrier	German Shepherd Dog (Long Stock Coat)
Bichon Frise	Eurasier	Shih Tzu	Belgian Shepherd Dog (Groenendael)
Biewer Terrier	Karelian Bear Dog		Belgian Shepherd Dog (Laekenois)
Bolognese	Peruvian Hairless (Large)		Belgian Shepherd Dog (Malinois)
Pug	Peruvian Hairless (Medium)		Belgian Shepherd Dog (Tervueren)
Havanese	Peruvian Hairless (Small)		Bouvier des Flandres
	Xoloitzcuintle (Miniature)		Briard
	Xoloitzcuintle (Intermediate)		Maremma Sheepdog
	Xoloitzcuintle (Standard)		Collie (Rough)
			Collie (Smooth)
			Puli
			Bergamasco Shepherd Dog
			Dutch Shepherd
			Polish Lowland Sheepdog
			Pyrenean Sheepdog (Long Haired)
			Finnish Lapphund
			Tatra Shepherd
<b>Breed Specialty:</b> Jack Russell Terrier, Japanese Chin			

# Judging Schedule

<b>Friday 29 September 2023</b>			
<b>Mr Z Gajic</b>	<b>Mr G Paolucci</b>	<b>Ms A Ulltveit-Moe</b>	<b>Dr G Tesics</b>
Italian Greyhound	Siberian Husky	English Springer Spaniel	Deerhound
Miniature Pinscher	Tornjak	Clumber Spaniel	Finnish Spitz
Prague Ratter	Yakutian Laika	Field Spaniel	Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen
Kerry Blue Terrier	Alaskan Malamute	Irish Water Spaniel	Grand Basset Griffon Vendeen
Lakeland Terrier	St Bernard	Sussex Spaniel	Ibizan Hound
Manchester Terrier	Landseer ECT	Welsh Springer Spaniel	Irish Wolfhound
	Leonberger	Italian Spinone	Borzoi
	Newfoundland	Spanish Water Dog	Otterhound
	Pyrenean Mountain Dog	Lagotto Romagnolo	
	German Pinscher	Dandie Dinmont Terrier	
		Affenpinscher	
<b>Breed Specialties:</b> Italian Greyhound, English Springer Spaniel, Siberian Husky			

<b>Saturday 30 September 2023</b>
<p><b>General Specials</b> – Order of Judging will be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group 6</li> <li>• Group 5</li> <li>• Group 1</li> <li>• Group 3</li> <li>• Group 7</li> <li>• Group 4</li> <li>• Group 2</li> <li>• Junior Handlers Final</li> <li>• Best Brace in Show – Mr Zeljko Gajic</li> <li>• Best Baby Puppy in Show – Dr Gyorgy Tesics</li> <li>• Best Puppy in Show- Mr Gerardo Paolucci</li> <li>• Best Exhibit in Show – Ms Annika Ulltveit-Moe</li> </ul>

<b>Sunday 1 October 2023</b>
TBC

# Judging Schedule

## Breed Judging Days

Affenpinscher	Fri 29
Afghan Hound	Wed 27
Airedale Terrier	Fri 22
Akita	Wed 27
Akita (Japanese)	Wed 27
Alaskan Malamute	Fri 29
American Hairless Terrier	Fri 22
American Staffordshire Terrier	Wed 27
Anatolian Shepherd Dog	Wed 27
Australasian Bosdog	Thu 28
Australian Cattle Dog	Sun 24
Australian Kelpie	Sun 24
Australian Shepherd	Tue 26
Australian Silky Terrier	Fri 22
Australian Stumpy Tail Cattle Dog	Sun 24
Australian Terrier	Tue 26
Azawakh	Fri 22
Basenji	Sat 23
Basset Fauve de Bretagne	Wed 27
Basset Hound	Wed 27
Beagle	Mon 25
Bearded Collie	Mon 25
Beauceron	Wed 27
Bedlington Terrier	Tue 26
Belgian Shepherd Dog (All)	Thu 28
Bergamasco Shepherd Dog	Thu 28
Bernese Mountain Dog	Wed 27
Bichon Frise	Thu 28
Biewer Terrier	Thu 28
Black & Tan Coonhound	Wed 27
Bloodhound	Wed 27
Bluetick Coonhound	Wed 27
Bolognese	Thu 28
Border Collie	Mon 25
Border Terrier	Sat 23

Borzoi	Fri 29
Boston Terrier	Sat 23
Bouvier des Flandres	Thu 28
Boxer	Wed 27
Bracco Italiano	Wed 27
Briard	Thu 28
British Bulldog	Fri 22
Brittany	Wed 27
Bull Terrier	Fri 22
Bull Terrier Miniature	Fri 22
Bullmastiff	Tue 26
Cairn Terrier	Fri 22
Canaan Dog	Fri 22
Canadian Eskimo Dog	Wed 27
Cane Corso	Wed 27
Caucasian Shepherd Dog	Wed 27
Cavalier King Charles Spaniel	Mon 25
Central Asian Shepherd Dog	Wed 27
Cesky Terrier	Fri 22
Chesapeake Bay Retriever	Wed 27
Chihuahua (All)	Fri 22
Chinese Crested Dog	Fri 22
Chow Chow	Fri 22
Cirneco Dell'etna	Wed 27
Clumber Spaniel	Fri 29
Cocker Spaniel	Tue 26
Cocker Spaniel (American)	Mon 25
Collie (All)	Thu 28
Coton du Tulear	Fri 22
Curly Coated Retriever	Sat 23
Dachshund (All)	Sat 23
Dalmatian	Sat 23
Dandie Dinmont Terrier	Fri 29
Deerhound	Fri 29
Dobermann	Sat 23



## Judging Schedule

Dogue De Bordeaux	Tue 26
Dutch Shepherd	Thu 28
English Setter	Sat 23
English Springer Spaniel	Fri 29
English Toy Terrier	Fri 22
Estrela Mountain Dog	Wed 27
Eurasier	Thu 28
Field Spaniel	Fri 29
Finnish Lapphund	Thu 28
Finnish Spitz	Fri 29
Flat Coated Retriever	Sat 23
Fox Terrier (All)	Sat 23
Foxhound	Sun 24
French Bulldog	Sun 24
German Hunting Terrier	Sat 23
German Pinscher	Fri 29
German Shepherd (All)	Thu 28
German Shorthaired Pointer	Wed 27
German Spitz (All)	Fri 22
German Wirehaired Pointer	Wed 27
Glen of Imaal Terrier	Sat 23
Golden Retriever	Fri 22
Gordon Setter	Sat 23
Grand Basset Griffon Vendeen	Fri 29
Great Dane	Thu 28
Great Swiss Mountain Dog	Wed 27
Greyhound	Wed 27
Griffon Bruxellois	Mon 25
Hamiltonstovare	Wed 27
Harrier	Sun 24
Havanese	Thu 28
Hungarian Vizsla	Tue 26
Hungarian Wire Haired Vizsla	Tue 26
Ibizan Hound	Fri 29
Icelandic Sheepdog	Sat 23

Irish Red & White Setter	Sat 23
Irish Setter	Sat 23
Irish Terrier	Sat 23
Irish Water Spaniel	Fri 29
Irish Wolfhound	Fri 29
Italian Greyhound	Fri 29
Italian Spinone	Fri 29
Jack Russell Terrier	Thu 28
Japanese Chin	Thu 28
Japanese Spitz	Fri 22
Kangal Shepherd Dog	Wed 27
Karelian Bear Dog	Thu 28
Keeshond	Mon 25
Kerry Blue Terrier	Fri 29
King Charles Spaniel	Mon 25
Komondor	Wed 27
Kuvasz	Wed 27
Labrador Retriever	Thu 28
Lagotto Romagnolo	Fri 29
Lakeland Terrier	Fri 29
Landseer ECT	Fri 29
Large Munsterlander	Fri 22
Leonberger	Fri 29
Lhasa Apso	Sun 24
Lowchen	Mon 25
Maltese	Mon 25
Manchester Terrier	Fri 29
Maremma Sheepdog	Thu 28
Mastiff	Tue 26
Miniature American Shepherd	Tue 26
Miniature Pinscher	Fri 29
Murray River Retriever	Fri 22
Neapolitan Mastiff	Tue 26
Newfoundland	Fri 29
Norfolk Terrier	Tue 26

## Judging Schedule

Norwegian Buhund	Sat 23
Norwegian Elkhound	Fri 22
Norwich Terrier	Tue 26
Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever	Fri 22
Old English Sheepdog	Tue 26
Otterhound	Fri 29
Papillon	Sun 24
Parson Russell Terrier	Sat 23
Pekingese	Sun 24
Peruvian Hairless (All)	Thu 28
Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen	Fri 29
Pharaoh Hound	Sun 24
Pointer	Wed 27
Polish Lowland Sheepdog	Thu 28
Pomeranian	Mon 25
Poodle (All)	Tue 26
Portuguese Podengo (All)	Fri 22
Portuguese Water Dog	Wed 27
Prague Ratter	Fri 29
Pug	Thu 28
Puli	Thu 28
Pumi	Tue 26
Pyrenean Mastiff	Tue 26
Pyrenean Mountain Dog	Fri 29
Pyrenean Sheepdog (Long Haired)	Thu 28
Rhodesian Ridgeback	Tue 26
Rottweiler	Wed 27
Russian Black Terrier	Wed 27
Russian Toy (All)	Fri 22
Saluki	Fri 22
Samoyed	Sun 24
Schipperke	Fri 22
Schnauzer (All)	Mon 25
Scottish Terrier	Tue 26
Sealyham Terrier	Tue 26

Sharpei	Fri 22
Shetland Sheepdog	Tue 26
Shiba Inu	Sat 23
Shih Tzu	Thu 28
Shikoku	Sat 23
Siberian Husky	Fri 29
Skye Terrier	Sat 23
Sloughi	Fri 22
Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier	Tue 26
Spanish Mastiff	Tue 26
Spanish Water Dog	Fri 29
St Bernard	Fri 29
Staffordshire Bull Terrier	Wed 27
Sussex Spaniel	Fri 29
Swedish Lapphund	Sat 23
Swedish Vallhund	Sat 23
Tatra Shepherd	Thu 28
Tenterfield Terrier	Tue 26
Tibetan Mastiff	Tue 26
Tibetan Spaniel	Fri 22
Tibetan Terrier	Thu 28
Tornjak	Fri 29
Weimaraner (All)	Tue 26
Welsh Corgi (All)	Fri 22
Welsh Springer Spaniel	Fri 29
Welsh Terrier	Tue 26
West Highland White Terrier	Tue 26
Whippet	Mon 25
White Swiss Shepherd Dog	Mon 25
Wirehaired Slovakian Pointer	Fri 22
Xoloitzcuintle (All)	Thu 28
Yakutian Laika	Fri 29
Yorkshire Terrier	Fri 22

# Conformation

## Classes and age of exhibits

Class	Dog Class Code	Bitch Class Code
Baby Puppy – (3 and under 6 months)	1	1A
Minor Puppy – (6 and under 9 months)	2	2A
Puppy – (6 and under 12 months)	3	3A
Junior – (9 and under 18 months)	4	4A
Intermediate – (18 and under 36 months)	5	5A
Australian Bred – (6 months and over bred in Australia)	10	10A
Open – (6 months and over)	11	11A
Brace Class – (6 months and over) 2 exhibits are required	13	

## All Breeds Sweepstakes Classes

Class	Class Code
Baby Puppy Sweepstakes	BPS
Puppy Sweepstakes	P01
Champion Sweepstakes	CS1
Neutered Sweepstakes	NS
Veterans Sweepstakes (7 years and over)	VS1

## Judging Guidelines

### Baby Puppy Classes

At the conclusion of breed judging in each ring, Best Baby Puppy of each breed will compete for Best Baby Puppy of the ring. Then the Best Baby Puppy of each ring will compete for Best Baby Puppy of the day. On General Specials day, only the Best Baby Puppy of each day will return to compete for Best Baby Puppy in Show.

### ANKC Regulations

The ANKC has resolved that where a Royal Show only offers Best Puppy In Group/In Show and Best Exhibit In Group/In Show, then Group and Show placings shall apply. This type of judging does not necessarily produce the second, third and fourth best dogs in Group or Show, but rather the four best dogs in the ring from the Best Of Breed winners and, in the case of Best In Show, from the Group winners.

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## General Specials Judging

Each Group will be judged in its entirety, in the same ring, in the order listed below. Judging will start with Best Exhibit in Group followed by Best Puppy in Group. Weather permitting, judging will take place outside on the Main Dog Judging Ring.

Judging will commence at 9am and the Groups will be judged in the following order: Group 6, Group 5, Group 1, Group 3, Group 7, Group 4, Group 2.

## Sequence of Judging

As required by the ANKC Regulations the sequence of judging Best Exhibit in Group and Best Exhibit in Show awards shall be in the following order:

1. Best Exhibit in Group, placed in order 4th, 3rd, 2nd, 1st
2. Best Puppy In Group
3. Best Brace In Show
4. Best Baby Puppy In Show
5. Best Exhibit In Show, placed in order 4th, 3rd, 2nd, 1st
6. Best Puppy In Show

## Best of Breed

The judging of Best Of Breed and Runner Up to Best Of Breed will be conducted at the completion of judging each breed daily, in the normal way; however, the Runner-Up Best Of Breed shall not be required to return on General Specials Day. If you are to return on General Specials Day, you will be supplied with one (1) general admission ticket to return on the day.

## Best Baby Puppy of the Day

The judging of Best Baby Puppy of the Day will be judged at the conclusion of all Breed judging on the day. Only Best Baby Puppy of the Day will be invited to return for judging of Best Baby Puppy in Show on General Specials Day. If you are to return on General Specials Day, you will be supplied with one (1) general admission ticket to return on the day.

## Best Brace of the Day

All Brace Class entries will be judged together – at the conclusion of breed judging each day – and will compete for Best Brace of Day.

The winning Brace team from each day will be invited to return for Best Brace in Show Judging on General Specials Day. **To compete in Best Brace of Day, there must be 2 exhibits, six months of age or over, of the same breed, each of which is also entered in an ordinary class at 2023 Melbourne Royal Show. Both exhibits must be property of the same owner, and be handled in the judging ring by one person.**

## Best Exhibit in Group

Only exhibits that have won Best Of Breed shall be eligible to compete for Best Exhibit In Group awards 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th subject to the provisions of ANKC Regulations. The judge shall select eight dogs from the Best of Breed winners. The balance of the Group is excused. The judge will then select 4th, 3rd, 2nd and 1st in Group in that order.

## Puppy in Group

Only Best Puppy in Group award will be offered. Therefore, only puppies that have competed in Class 3 or Class 3A and have won Best Puppy of Breed are eligible to compete for Puppy In Group. The judge shall select four dogs from the puppy of breed winners. The balance of the puppies will be excused. From the four remaining, the judge will then select his/her Puppy in Group.

## Best Baby Puppy in Show

Only Best Baby Puppy in Show award will be offered, therefore, only Best Baby Puppy on the Day winners are eligible to compete for Best Baby Puppy in Show.

## Best Exhibit in Show

Only exhibits that have won Best Exhibit in Group shall be eligible to compete for Best Exhibit In Show awards 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th subject to the provisions of ANKC Regulations. The judge shall have the book marked in order of preference 1, 2, 3, 4. The microphone steward will announce, from the judge's book, the 4th BIS place-getter, which shall then proceed to the fourth peg and be presented with any awards. The same process is then followed for the 3rd place-getter, 2nd place-getter and Best in Show.



# Conformation

## Best Puppy in Show

Only Best Puppy in Show award will be offered, therefore, only Best Puppy in Group winners are eligible to compete for Best Puppy In Show.

## Breed Specialty Competitions

Breed Specialty Competitions are held in conjunction with the Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show. Exhibitors wishing to enter their Breed Specialty are to contact their Breed Club directly for entry details.

Starting time will be at the conclusion of judging in the allocated Judge's ring, or soon thereafter.

Breed Clubs will be responsible for:

- Promotion of their own event;
- Management of entries and all aspects of administration;
- Benching allocations for dogs that are **not** entered in the Melbourne Royal Show.
- Production of all documentation required to be able to run their Specialty show on their allocated day. This includes the production of a catalogue, stewards sheets, allocation of exhibit numbers and all associated administration.
- Provide a ticket writer (for the documenting of results, creation of any certificates and marking the Catalogue etc.)
- Provision of all awards for the event and bringing them on the day;
- Option to hang one professional banner on the fence surrounding the allocated judging ring.

Melbourne Royal will be responsible for:

- Provision of VCA representative for the event;
- Provision of Melbourne Royal Stewards to run the event;
- Allocation of the officiating Judge. The Judge will be selected from the judging panel. The Judge will award trophies in the ring;
- Provision of place-markers for each judging ring.

# Action Dog

Check In Location for all Action Dog Exhibitors: This will be separate from Conformation Check In and will be close to your assigned benching for convenience. Vetting will also be done at the same time if required.

## Rally Classes

- To be held on Thursday 21 September 2023
- **Check In/Vetting** will be between 8am and 8.30am
- **Judging** will not commence before 9am. (Rally 1 and Rally 2 will be held concurrently in two separate rings)
- **Order of judging will be:** Rally 1 – RN, RA, RE, RM  
Rally 2 – RM, RE, RA, RN

CLASS	CLASS CODE
Rally Novice	RN
Rally Advanced	RA
Rally Excellent	RE
Rally Masters	RM

## Obedience Classes

- To be held on Friday 22 September 2023
- **Check in/Vetting** will be between 8am and 8.30am.
- **Judging** will not commence before 9am
- **Order of judging will be:** UDX, UD, CCD, CD, CDX followed by Best In Trial.

CLASS	CLASS CODE
Utility Excellent	UDX
Utility	UD
Community Companion Dog	CCD
Novice	CD
Open	CDX

## Agility & Jumping Classes

- To be held on Saturday 23 September 2023.
- **Check in** will be between 7.15am and 8am.
- **Judging** will not commence before 8.30am
- **Order of judging will be:** ADO, ADX, ADM, AD, JDX, JDM, JD.

CLASS	CLASS CODE
Open Agility	ADO
Excellent Agility	ADX
Master Agility	ADM
Novice Agility	AD
Excellent Jumping	JDX
Master Jumping	JDM
Novice Jumping	JD

## Agility Games Classes

- To be held on Sunday 24 September 2023
- **Check in** will be between 8am and 8.30am.
- **Judging** will not commence before 9am.
- **Order of judging will be:** SD, SDX, SDM, GD, GDX, GDM, SPD, SPDX, SPDM, JDO.

CLASS	CLASS CODE
Novice Snooker	SD
Excellent Snooker	SDX
Master Snooker	SDM
Novice Gamblers	GD
Excellent Gamblers	GDX
Master Gamblers	GDM
Novice Strategic Pairs	SPD
Excellent Strategic Pairs	SPDX
Master Strategic Pairs	SPDM
Open Jumping	JDO

# Awards

## Rally

A combination of trophies and rosettes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each class.

## Obedience

A combination of trophies and rosettes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each class. Best in Obedience Trial will receive a trophy and rosette.

Judging of Best in Obedience Trial will be held on Friday 22 September 2023.

## Agility and Jumping and Agility Games

A combination of trophies, rosettes and ribbons will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd in each class and for the fastest round in the Agility Trial and fastest round in the Jumping Trial.

## General Conditions relating to Rally, Obedience, Agility, Jumping and Agility Games classes

All dogs must be benched from 9am until 5pm.

Classes are conducted under Melbourne Royal's General and Special Regulations and the ANKC Rules and Regulations. Melbourne Royal reserves the right to run the dogs in any order it may deem fit and to divide the classes as necessary to facilitate the judging of dogs in the time allocated.

Bitches in season are not permitted to compete.

If using paper entries, please use a separate entry form for Strategic Pairs classes and make sure you and your partner's forms are stapled together.

Jump height (Obedience/Rally) and height category (Agility/Jumping/Games) **MUST** be stated on entry forms. Dogs must be benched when not required for judging and remain in the benching pavilion until 5pm or the conclusion of judging whichever is the later.



# Special Regulations of the Melbourne Royal *All Breeds Championship Show*

## **Exhibitors must strictly observe the following conditions:**

The Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show (Show) is conducted under the General and Special Regulations of Melbourne Royal and the Rules and Regulations of Dogs Victoria (DV) and form part of the conditions of entry. These Special Regulations override any General Regulations where a conflict occurs. A copy of the Melbourne Royal General Regulations and DV Rules and Regulations may be inspected at the offices of Melbourne Royal or are available at [www.melbournroyal.com.au](http://www.melbournroyal.com.au).

Entries will be received in all sections of the Show subject to these regulations and the Special Regulations, rules and conditions appearing at the head of each section and in each class, and on the entry form, and Melbourne Royal's Conditions of Entry to the Showgrounds posted at each gate. Upon submission of an entry the Exhibitor agrees irrevocably to be bound by all applicable regulations, rules and conditions.

## **1. ABSENCE OF EXHIBIT (DOG)**

Every dog entered must be exhibited unless a certificate signed by the owner is lodged with Melbourne Royal prior to the date of the Show, stating that the dog is unable to compete for one or more of the following reasons:

- a) The dog has died;
- b) The dog is unfit for exhibition due to injury or disease;
- c) The dog has become ineligible for the class entered;
- d) Some other cause which Melbourne Royal considers reasonable; or

- e) After arrival at the Showgrounds, an Exhibit (dog) may be withdrawn from an event or class if it has become unfit to compete.

## **2. AGE OF DOGS**

The age of the dog for the purpose of a Show, shall be calculated from the date of birth as recorded with a recognised controlling body (e.g. Dogs Victoria, Dogs NSW etc) as at 12am of the first day of Conformation Judging (i.e. 22 September 2023).

## **3. ALCOHOL**

In accordance with licensing regulations, alcohol is not to be brought onto the Showgrounds.

## **4. ASSEMBLY**

In view of the need to expedite judging, Exhibitors will be held wholly responsible for having their dogs in the assembly ring immediately as they are required for judging. After the Steward has given the word to the Judge to proceed with the judging of a competition, no Exhibit may enter the judging ring until after that competition has been completed. Dogs which are not brought promptly to the rings when called, and the owners or Exhibitors of which omit to obey the order of the Stewards, or are wearing more than one Exhibit number, maybe refused admission to the rings.

## **5. BABY PUPPY WINNERS**

All Best Baby Puppy of Breeds for the day will compete for Best Baby Puppy of the Day. Only the Best Baby Puppy of each day will return to compete for Best Baby Puppy in Show on Saturday 30 September 2023.



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## 6. PUPPY CLASS WINNERS

All Best Puppy of Breed winners (puppies entered in Class 3 or Class 3A only) will be required to return for exhibition on Saturday 30 September 2023 from 9am to 5pm. Judging will commence at 9am.

## 7. BRACE WINNERS

At the conclusion of breed judging each day, all entries in Brace Class will compete for Best Brace of the Day. Only the Best Brace of each day will return to compete for Best Brace in Show on Saturday 30 September 2023.

## 8. BEST OF BREED

The judging of Best of Breed and Runner-up to Best of Breed will be conducted at the completion of judging of each breed daily. Only dogs which have been awarded a Challenge Certificate at this Show shall be eligible to compete for Best of Breed at this Show.

Best of Breed winners are to be exhibited on Saturday 30 September 2023 from 9am to 5pm. Judging will commence at 9am.

## 9. SPECIAL PRIZES FOR CLASSES AND CHALLENGE CERTIFICATE WINNERS

- a) Only first prize winners and where applicable, Challenge Certificate winners will receive special prizes.
- b) Only dogs which have been awarded a Challenge Certificate at a show shall be eligible to compete for Best of Breed at that show.
- c) Melbourne Royal rosettes/sashes will be awarded to each Challenge Certificate winner and each class winner.

## 10. BENCHING

Exhibitors are advised to strictly observe the following conditions:

- a) All Exhibits must be benched from 9am to 5pm on the day of exhibition.
- b) A dog must not be placed on the bench or in a cage as to be away from the public view. Every dog must be provided with a suitable collar and chain or a lead. Nothing may be adhered to crates/cages that will affect the view of the public. Not more than one Exhibit may occupy any one bench or cage unless allocated by Melbourne Royal. Dogs shall be placed where directed by Melbourne Royal.
- c) Benches are for dogs and dogs in crates only. Exhibitors **must not** sit on the benches.
- d) The position of Exhibit numbers on benches or cages must not be altered.

## 11. STATE CONTROLLING BODY MEMBERSHIP NUMBER

The state controlling body membership number must be the same as recorded on Registration papers (i.e. if dogs are owned in different names they must have different membership numbers to reflect correct registration).

## 12. CATALOGUES

Exhibitors requiring a catalogue are requested to order when lodging entries. Only a limited number of catalogues will be made available for purchase during the Show. Pre-ordered catalogues are \$25. Catalogues purchased at the Show are \$25. Exhibitors will have access to a free PDF copy of the catalogue.

## 13. CHANGES

Subject to regulations in the relevant Schedule, no entry may be changed by the Exhibitor after entries close unless otherwise permitted by Melbourne Royal.

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## 14. CHECK-IN OF EXHIBITS

**Conformation:** No dog will be admitted to the judging ring unless its Exhibit number is stamped. This will take place between 8am and 9am each day or at the discretion of the Show Manager.

**Action Dog:** Refer to Action Dog pages for Check In times relating to these competitions.

## 15. CONTAGIOUS OR INFECTIOUS DISEASE

Melbourne Royal may in any circumstances it thinks fit, refuse to accept the entry of an Exhibit, or may at any time, cancel any entry already accepted and may disqualify the Exhibit from competing or exhibiting in any specific class or classes or events and without prejudice, to the generality of the foregoing, the Committee shall so act if a report of the Veterinary Surgeon discloses that he/she considers or finds that the Exhibit:

- a) Is affected with any contagious or infectious disease or is known to have or is suspected of having been brought onto the Showground from a kennel in which an animal is affected by or suffering from a contagious or infectious disease or which an animal was affected by or suffering from a contagious or infectious disease within 30 days or the relevant incubation period thereof whichever is the shorter, prior to the date upon which the relevant Exhibit was brought on to the Showgrounds,
- b) Shows any signs of any surgical or other artificial interference which is calculated to deceive or is capable of deceiving either Judge or spectators.

## 16. DOGS PERMITTED INTO SHOWGROUNDS

**Except with the prior written approval of Melbourne Royal, no dogs other than the dogs entered for showing on that day are permitted to enter the Showgrounds.**

## 17. ENTRY TICKET

Melbourne Royal will issue complimentary admittance for the day the Exhibit is required for judging on the following basis (subject to availability):

- a) **CONFORMATION:** One pass per Exhibit.
- b) **ACTION DOG:** One pass per Exhibit.

## 18. ENTRY SUBMISSION

Entries close on Tuesday 1 August 2023 at 5pm (excluding Baby Puppy Class which closes on Friday 18 August 2023 at 5pm).

The entry fee set out in the Schedule shall be forwarded with each entry. Paper based entries for the Melbourne Royal Show Championship All Breeds Show must be mailed to:

Dog Event Manager  
Melbourne Royal  
Melbourne Showgrounds  
Epsom Road, Ascot Vale VIC 3032

Online entries can be submitted via Melbourne Royal's online entry facility:  
[www.melbournroyal.com.au](http://www.melbournroyal.com.au)

The entry fee becomes the property of Melbourne Royal upon its receipt by Melbourne Royal and fees for withdrawn entries or entries which do not satisfy the conditions of eligibility will not be refunded.

Any forms containing information about an Exhibitor or Dog must be signed by the Exhibitor or his authorised agent.

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The Exhibitor is responsible for the correctness of all information on the entry form.

Where an Exhibitor is less than 18 years of age, the entry form must be signed by the Exhibitor's parent or guardian.

Exhibitors and dogs participating at the Show do so at their own risk.

**EXHIBITORS WILL NOT BE GIVEN PERMISSION TO LEAVE THE SHOWGROUNDS BEFORE 5pm UNLESS UNDER EXTREME CIRCUMSTANCES AND MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A MELBOURNE ROYAL EMPLOYEE OR REPRESENTATIVE.**

## 19. EXERCISING EXHIBITS

Exhibitors are advised that an exercise area will be made available between 9am and 5pm each day as signed and directed by the Dog Superintendent. Dogs must be on a lead at all times and are not permitted outside of the dog precinct. except as stated herein, no Exhibit may be absent from its bench unless for the purpose of being judged.

## 20. EXHIBIT NUMBERS

Exhibit numbers will be collected at the Show prior to the commencement of judging each day. An information booklet will be distributed to Exhibitors before the Show.

It is imperative to have the correct mailing and email address when entering. If you do not intend to be at your normal place of residence, a C/- address should be written on the entry form and highlighted.

When dogs are being judged the handler must wear the Exhibit number of only the dog being handled.

## 21. JUDGING

Melbourne Royal may alter the order of breed judging, or the Judge for any particular class at any time if it deems fit.

No Competitor or Exhibitor or person acting on behalf of any Competitor or Exhibitor shall in any way influence, consult or interfere with or attempt to influence consult or interfere with the Judge or endeavour to interfere with his/her freedom of choice or judgement.

No Exhibit or person in charge thereof shall be equipped with, wear or display anything, which indicates the ownership of the Exhibit before or during conformation judging unless this practice is expressly authorised in the regulation in the relevant prize schedule.

The decision of the Judge as to the merits of the Exhibit, shall be final and binding whether or not such decision was made or purported to be made in accordance with these or any other relevant regulations and no appeal may be made or order for review or similar order sought there from to any court of law or other body on the question of merit of the Exhibit or on any matter arising out of or in connection with the manner in which the Judge's decision was made or purported to be made or otherwise.

Judges are empowered and are requested not to award any prize, (including Special Prizes), to any Exhibit, which they consider, is not of sufficient merit. Where, in any class or competition a first place is not awarded by the Judge, there shall be no second or third placing awarded.

The Judge may not place two or more separate Exhibits equal for any award, nor may he/she re-judge any competition because of the absence from the judging ring of any Exhibit at the time of judging that competition. The Judge may make a reserve number, by marking it as such, of the Exhibit next in order beyond those to which the prizes are awarded in every class where the number of the entries exceeds the number of prizes offered, if, in

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his/her opinion, the Exhibit is of sufficient merit with the exception of reserve challenge award, such emergency number does not carry any prize, or other reward.

Certificates awarded at the Show shall be exhibited with the Exhibit for the duration of the period the Exhibit is required at the Show.

## 22. LIMITATIONS

Subject to the regulations in the relevant Schedule, no dog may be entered in more than one Ordinary Class. Action Dog and Sweepstakes classes do not count as Ordinary Classes.

## 23. OWNERSHIP OF EXHIBITS (DOGS)

Unless Melbourne Royal otherwise permits, all dogs must be the bona fide property of the Exhibitor at the time of entry or be held by the Exhibitor under written lease in existence at the time of entry and Melbourne Royal shall have the power to recognise or reject such lease as it deems fit.

## 24. PAYMENT OF PRIZES

Prize money will not be awarded in breed classes.

## 25. PLACE RIBBONS/CERTIFICATES ETC

Ribbons/ rosettes will be issued in the judging ring as an indication to the spectators of the Judges' awards – blue for first, red for second and white for third, and in addition yellow for fourth and green for fifth ribbons will be awarded where there are at least ten dogs exhibited in the class.

Best of Breed, Challenge and Reserve Challenge Certificates are offered at this Show, at the discretion of the Judge.

## 26. REJECTION

Melbourne Royal may in its absolute discretion reject entries from Competitors or Exhibitors who, or whose dogs, are or have been subject to disqualification from any Royal or other show or a breed society or similar body.

## 27. RIGHTS OF MELBOURNE ROYAL

Melbourne Royal has the power without assigning any reason to:

- a) cancel any event or class;
- b) alter the time or place at which any class or event is to take place;
- c) alter the conditions of any event;
- d) remove any dog or Exhibitor from the Showgrounds;
- e) alter the date or time for the closing of entries for any section or class or for any particular entry;
- f) transfer a dog and Exhibitor from any class to any other class; and/ or
- g) decline to display a dog.

## 28. SALE OF DOGS

The sale of dogs, or signs indicating that dogs are for sale, is strictly prohibited. Any Exhibitor found to be displaying "for sale" signs may have their dogs disqualified from the competition.

## 29. VEHICLE PARKING

Motor vehicles/ trailers are not permitted to park within the Showgrounds. A parking fee for this Show is not included with the entry fee.

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## 30. VETERINARY SERVICES

Melbourne Royal will appoint a veterinary surgeon to provide a service to Exhibitors. If an animal becomes ill or suffers an injury, Melbourne Royal's appointed veterinary surgeon may attend to and treat such animal in the absence of or contrary to any authority from the owner.

Exhibitors may employ a veterinary surgeon who is not Melbourne Royal appointed but in such instances must inform the Program Coordinator of the animal concerned. Melbourne Royal's appointed veterinary surgeon may refuse to attend and/or treat any animal.

Melbourne Royal and appointed veterinary surgeon shall not be liable in any way for any damage caused directly or indirectly by loss arising out of (including without limitation the loss or death of or damage or injury to the animal) the refusal failure or neglect of Melbourne Royal's appointed veterinary surgeon to attend or treat any animal.

## 31. CONTACT DETAILS:

All enquiries are to be directed to the Dog Section via post, facsimile or email.

Dog Event Manager  
Melbourne Royal  
Melbourne Showgrounds  
Epsom Road  
Ascot Vale VIC 3032  
Email: [dogs@melbourneroyal.com.au](mailto:dogs@melbourneroyal.com.au)

# General Regulations for All Competitions

## 1. DEFINITIONS AND INTERPRETATION

### 1.1 DEFINITIONS

The following definitions apply unless the context requires otherwise.

**Agent** includes any person, agent, association or corporation engaged by or on behalf of the Exhibitor and any person acting or purporting to act on the Exhibitor's behalf (including any person who is an invitee of the Exhibitor and regardless of whether the person is remunerated or not).

**Assistant Chief Steward** means the person occupying or acting in the position of Assistant Chief Steward of a section.

**Body** includes any society, organisation or body within or outside Australia having similar objects to Melbourne Royal and, without limitation, includes:

- Royal Agricultural Society of the Northern Territory Inc;
- Royal National Agricultural & Industrial Association of Queensland;
- Royal Agricultural & Horticultural Society of South Australia;
- Royal Agricultural Society of NSW;
- Royal Agricultural Society of Tasmania;
- Royal National Capital Agricultural Society;
- Royal Agricultural Society of WA; and
- any breed association or society recognised by Melbourne Royal.

**Business Day** means a week day on which banks in Melbourne are open for business.

**Chief Executive Officer** means a person occupying or acting in the position of Chief Executive Officer of Melbourne Royal.

**Chief Steward** means the person occupying or acting in the position of Chief Steward of a section.

**Closing Date** means the date and time set out in the Relevant Schedule after which entries for the Event will not be accepted by Melbourne Royal.

**Drug** has the meaning set out in the Relevant Schedule.

**Event** includes competition and class and without limitation includes any event listed in a Schedule. Event also includes the period of bump-in and bump-out for the Event and the period of the Event competition.

**Entry Form** means an entry form (or online equivalent) supplied by Melbourne Royal for an Event.

**Event Participant** includes judges, stewards, contractors, spectators, Exhibitors and all persons present at the Venue during the Event.

**Exhibit** means the animal, person or item entered into an Event by an Exhibitor.

**Exhibitor** means the owner of the Exhibit, and if the owner is less than 18 years of age, the parent or guardian of the owner who signs the Entry Form.

**Inspector** means a person described as such in the Regulations.

**Judge** means a person appointed by Melbourne Royal to judge an Event.

**Motor Vehicle** includes a truck, trailer, horse float and stock transporter but does not include a caravan.

**Melbourne Royal** means Melbourne Royal (ACN 006 728 785).

**Regulations** means:

- (a) Melbourne Royal's General Regulations For All Competitions;
- (b) the rules, regulations and conditions of entry set out in the Relevant Schedule; and
- (c) the rules, regulations and conditions of entry set out on the Entry Form for the Event.

**Relevant Schedule** means the Schedule which applies to the particular Event in which the Exhibitor has submitted or proposes to submit an entry in accordance with these Regulations.

**Review Committee** means a committee appointed under Regulation 12.4.

**Schedule** means a Schedule of events and prizes issued by Melbourne Royal and without limitation, a reference to a Schedule includes a reference to the rules, regulations and conditions set out in the Schedule.

**Show** means the Melbourne Royal Show.

**Showgrounds** means the Melbourne Showgrounds, Epsom Road, Ascot Vale, Victoria and includes without limitation all areas owned, used, rented or leased by Melbourne Royal.

**Steward** means a person occupying or acting in the position of steward.



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**Venue** means the site or location at which the Event is held.

**Veterinary Surgeon** means a veterinary surgeon appointed by Melbourne Royal.

## 1.2 INTERPRETATION

Headings are for convenience only and do not affect interpretation. The following rules apply unless the context requires otherwise.

- (a) The singular includes the plural and conversely.
- (b) A gender includes all genders.
- (c) If a word or phrase is defined, its other grammatical forms have a corresponding meaning.
- (d) A reference to a person, corporation, trust, partnership, unincorporated body or other entity includes any of them.
- (e) A reference to a Regulation is a reference to a Regulation of these Regulations.
- (f) A reference to a Regulation, rule or condition of entry is to the regulation, rule or condition of entry as amended, varied, supplemented, novated or replaced, except to the extent prohibited by these Regulations.
- (g) A reference to a right or obligation of any two or more persons confers that right, or imposes that obligation, as the case may be, jointly and severally.

In the event of an inconsistency between the Regulations and a Schedule, the Regulations prevail to the extent of the inconsistency unless otherwise provided.

## 1.3 EXEMPTIONS

Melbourne Royal may, by notice in writing, exempt an Exhibit or an Exhibitor from one or more of the obligations or requirements contained in these Regulations.

## 1.4 CONSENTS OR APPROVALS

Where the doing of any act, matter or thing under these Regulations is dependent upon the consent or approval of a person or is within the discretion of a person, the consent or approval may be given or discretion may be exercised conditionally or unconditionally or withheld by the person in its absolute discretion and without giving or assigning any reason for it.

## 2. ENTRIES

### 2.1 REQUIREMENTS FOR ENTERING AN EVENT

An entry to an Event must be:

- (a) submitted on an Entry Form;

- (b) acknowledged by a physical signature or electronic authorisation by the Exhibitor or, if the Exhibitor is less than 18 years of age, acknowledged by the Exhibitor's parent or guardian;
- (c) fully paid for as set out in the Relevant Schedule;
- (d) submitted before the Closing Date to Melbourne Royal's Registered Office or electronic service; and
- (e) Any Exhibit entered into an Event must be disease free and in good health and condition.

### 2.2 WARRANTY

The Exhibitor represents and warrants to Melbourne Royal that the information set out on the Entry Form is complete, accurate and not misleading in any way.

### 2.3 RULES AND REGULATIONS

An entry is subject to the:

- (a) Regulations; and
- (b) Relevant Schedule.

### 2.4 ENTRIES SUBJECT TO RULES AND REGULATIONS

Upon submission of an entry in accordance with Regulation 2, the Exhibitor agrees to be bound by the rules, regulations and conditions referred to in Regulation 2.2 and to ensure that each Agent of the Exhibitor complies with those rules, regulations and conditions. An act or omission of an Agent of an Exhibitor may be deemed by Melbourne Royal to be the act or omission of the Exhibitor.

### 2.5 ALTERED ENTRIES

Subject to the discretion of Melbourne Royal an entry may not be altered after the Closing Date.

### 2.6 NUMBER OF ENTRIES

Melbourne Royal may restrict the number of entries in any Event.

### 2.7 LIMIT ON ENTRY INTO MULTIPLE ORDINARY CLASSES

Subject to the Relevant Schedule, an Exhibit must not be entered in more than one Ordinary Class. Should any Exhibit be sought to be entered in more than one Ordinary Class, the Exhibit will only compete in the Ordinary Class in which the Exhibit's or the Exhibitor's name first appears in Melbourne Royal's Catalogue unless Melbourne Royal otherwise directs. For the purposes of this Regulation, Sweepstakes, Special Classes, Trophy Classes and Championships are not an Ordinary Class. 'Ordinary Class', 'Sweepstakes', 'Special Class', 'Trophy Class' and 'Championship' have the meaning given in the Relevant Schedule.



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## 3. ENTRY AND NOMINATION FEES

**3.1** The entry fee and, if applicable, the nomination fee, become the property of Melbourne Royal on receipt by Melbourne Royal and, without limitation, the entry fee and, if applicable, nomination fee paid in respect of an entry which is withdrawn, or which does not satisfy the requirements for entry or conditions of eligibility will not be refunded.

**3.2** In the event that the Melbourne Royal Show or a competition/awards program is cancelled due to COVID-19 health regulations or if state borders restrictions are enforced and the Exhibitor is unable attend the Show, Melbourne Royal will provide a full refund on entry fees, pre-purchased onsite accommodation fees (lockers and camping), showgrounds parking fees, showgrounds stabling/bedding fees and pre-ordered catalogues. Melbourne Royal will not be liable for any other costs incurred. Melbourne Royal will provide a pro-rata refund of fees in the event that Show days are cancelled due to COVID-19.

## 4. DOCUMENTS FOR PRESENTATION WHILST AT THE SHOWGROUNDS

Animal Registration papers, AAR microchip papers, show-jumping performance cards and birth certificates, or certified photocopies thereof, are not required to be submitted to Melbourne Royal or to accompany an Application for Entry. Such documentation will be required to be on hand whilst the Exhibitor and the Exhibits are on the Showground (if the Application for Entry specifies such documentation is required) and must be produced upon request for perusal by the Chief Steward or other Melbourne Royal authorised person. Failure to produce such documents if requested will result in the Exhibit being ineligible for the Event.

## 5. OWNERSHIP OF EXHIBITS

### 5.1 OWNERSHIP ON ENTRY

At the time Melbourne Royal receives the Entry Form for entry to an Event; the Exhibit entered into that Event by the Exhibitor must be the property of the Exhibitor or held by the Exhibitor under a written lease in existence at that time.

### 5.2 OWNERSHIP ON JUDGING

At the time of judging an Event, each Exhibit entered into that Event by an Exhibitor must be

the property of the Exhibitor or be held by the Exhibitor under a written lease in existence at that time. An Exhibit which is not the property of the Exhibitor or held by the Exhibitor under a written lease in existence at the time of judging will be ineligible for the Event.

### 5.3 INELIGIBILITY FOR EVENT

An Exhibit which is not the property of the Exhibitor or held by the Exhibitor under a written lease in existence both at the time Melbourne Royal receives the Entry Form and at the time of judging will be ineligible for the Event.

## 6. EXHIBITION OF EXHIBITS

### 6.1 GROUNDS FOR NOT EXHIBITING AN ANIMAL

The Exhibitor must not withdraw an Exhibit from an Event, and an Exhibit must be exhibited, unless a certificate signed by a veterinary surgeon is lodged with Melbourne Royal certifying that the Exhibit is unable to compete for one or more of the following reasons:

- (a) the Exhibit, being an animal, has died;
- (b) the Exhibit, being an animal, is unfit to be exhibited due to injury or disease;
- (c) the Exhibit is ineligible for the Event; or
- (d) some other cause Melbourne Royal considers reasonable.

### 6.2 TIME FOR WITHDRAWING AN ANIMAL EXHIBIT

A certificate given under Regulation 6 must be given to Melbourne Royal:

- (a) before the date for admission of the Exhibit to the Showgrounds (as set out in the Relevant Schedule), if the cause for withdrawal of the Exhibit occurs or arises before that date; or
- (b) otherwise, as soon as possible after the cause for withdrawal of the Exhibit occurs or arises.

### 6.3 TRAINING OR PREPARING EXHIBITS OR EXHIBITORS

Exhibitors must not enter into an Event that is to be judged by a person who has trained or prepared the Exhibitor or Exhibit within six months of the date of the Event (Action Dogs excluded).

## 7. EXHIBIT TICKET

Subject to the Relevant Schedule, Melbourne Royal will issue an exhibit ticket for an Exhibit unless it otherwise determines. The Exhibitor or an Agent must produce the exhibit ticket upon a request from Melbourne Royal or a Steward.





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## 8. CONDUCT OF EXHIBITORS AND AGENTS

### 8.1 COMPLIANCE WITH RULES AND REGULATIONS

Where an Exhibit and/or Exhibitor and/or an Agent fail to comply with any of the Regulations, Melbourne Royal may impose one or more of the following penalties on the Exhibit or Exhibitor or both of them:

- (d) disqualification;
- (e) suspension;
- (f) a fine;
- (g) order the Exhibit or the Exhibitor, his or her family, invitees and Agents be removed from the Showgrounds; or
- (h) any other penalty.

Without limiting the above, Melbourne Royal may forfeit an award, and upon forfeiture, the Exhibitor must return any ribbon, money, prize card or other evidence of that award to Melbourne Royal within seven days after receiving notification of the forfeiture. Nothing in this Regulation limits Regulation 8.10.

### 8.2 COMPLIANCE WITH DIRECTIONS

- (a) The Exhibitor and/or Agent must fully comply with the directions and requests of Melbourne Royal. Without limitation, directions and requests of Melbourne Royal may apply to the Exhibit, the Exhibitor, the Agent, the conditions of the Event, the conduct of the Exhibitor, the conduct of the Event, the conduct of the Agent, the decision of the Judge, or the award of prizes.
- (b) Without limiting Regulation 88.2, upon a request from Melbourne Royal, an Exhibitor and/or Agent must make a statutory declaration in the form and with respect to matters Melbourne Royal in its discretion requires.
- (c) Without limiting Regulation 88.2, upon a request from Melbourne Royal, an Exhibitor and/or Agent must submit his or her Exhibit for inspection by a Veterinary Surgeon.

### 8.3 STATEMENTS

The Exhibitor and/or Agent must not make a statement regarding an Exhibit, which in the opinion of Melbourne Royal, is fraudulent, false, erroneous, misleading or deceptive or likely to mislead or deceive.

### 8.4 TAMPERING

An Exhibit must not be or have been tampered with or otherwise improperly dealt with by an Exhibitor.

## 8.5 UNACCEPTABLE BEHAVIOUR

Melbourne Royal is committed to providing a fair and equitable Venue for all participants, free from all forms of harassment, bullying and violence. The following behaviours will not be tolerated and may result in the event participant/Exhibitor being removed from the competition Venue and/or disqualified from the competition and formal procedures initiated:

- (a) violence;
- (b) bullying;
- (c) harassment;
- (d) sexual harassment;
- (e) unlawful discrimination;
- (f) victimisation.

Persons breaching acceptable standards of behaviour may be banned from entering future Melbourne Royal Events and/or the Venue.

## 8.6 ANIMALS AND LIVESTOCK

Unless Melbourne Royal gives prior written approval, pets, animals or livestock other than Exhibits must not be brought onto or permitted to enter or remain on the Showgrounds.

## 8.7 MUTUAL RECOGNITION

Melbourne Royal may recognise, act upon and enforce any penalty imposed by a Body on an Exhibit or Exhibitor or Agent at any time.

## 8.8 FURTHER PROCEEDINGS

Melbourne Royal may conduct further proceedings in relation to any matter concerning an Exhibitor, an Exhibit, an Agent, a potential Exhibitor, or a potential Exhibit, and impose any suspension, fine, disqualification, withdrawal or forfeiture of an award, handicap, reprimand, warning or any other penalty, irrespective of whether a Body has already imposed a penalty on the Exhibitor or the Exhibit or Agent, or on the potential Exhibitor or the potential Exhibit.

## 8.9 RECIPROCAL ARRANGEMENTS

Melbourne Royal may enter into reciprocal arrangements with a Body in relation to any matter concerning an Exhibit, an Exhibitor, an Agent, a potential Exhibit or a potential Exhibitor.

## 8.10 SMOKING

Melbourne Showgrounds is a completely smoke-free venue (effective 1 September 2016). Exhibitors, staff, patrons and contractors wanting to smoke will need to exit the venue to do so.

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## 9. POWERS OF MELBOURNE ROYAL IN RESPECT TO CONTROL OF THE EVENT

### 9.1 POWER TO REFUSE TO ACCEPT AN ENTRY, EXHIBIT OR EXHIBITOR

Melbourne Royal may refuse to accept an entry for an Event, an Exhibit or an Exhibitor or any of them.

### 9.2 POWER TO CANCEL OR ALTER

Melbourne Royal may:

- (a) alter the Closing Date for an Event, or the Closing Date for receipt of any particular entry;
- (b) remove any Exhibit from the Showgrounds or cause any Exhibit to be removed from the Showgrounds;
- (c) amend an entry for an Event to, without limitation, substitute an alternate competition or class for the competition or class in which the Exhibit is or was entered;
- (d) alter the conditions of any Event;
- (e) refuse to display an Exhibit;
- (f) rule that an Exhibit or Exhibitor may not compete or is ineligible to compete;
- (g) alter the date, time or place on or at which any Event is scheduled to take place or to be judged;
- (h) alter the Judge scheduled to judge any Event; or
- (i) cancel any Event.

The rights set out above apply notwithstanding:

- (a) Melbourne Royal's acceptance of an entry for an Event;
- (b) inclusion of an entry for an Event in the Event Catalogue;
- (c) the issue of an exhibit ticket to an Exhibitor or in respect of an Exhibit or an Event; or
- (d) the issue of any other document to an Exhibitor or in respect of an Exhibit or an Event.

## 10. ILLNESS OF AN ANIMAL

### 10.1 ANIMAL HEALTH STATUS

If the Exhibitor or any Agent of the Exhibitor detects or suspects any illness amongst any of their Exhibits whilst the Exhibits are at the Showgrounds, the Exhibitor must:

- (a) report this fact immediately to the representative of Melbourne Royal responsible for the applicable livestock section (the Superintendent);
- (b) ensure that the Exhibit(s) concerned is/are contained within the space allocated by Melbourne Royal for the Exhibit(s), unless advised otherwise by the Superintendent or a member of Melbourne Royal veterinary panel on duty; and

- (c) where feasible to do so, contain soiled bedding from the Exhibit(s) concerned within the space allocated by Melbourne Royal for the Exhibit(s).

The Exhibitor may engage or consult a private veterinary surgeon in respect to the illness only after the above action has been taken and only after first consulting with a member of Melbourne Royal veterinary panel on duty.

### 10.2 TREATMENT UPON ILLNESS OR INJURY

If an Exhibit is ill or injured, a Veterinary Surgeon may in his or her discretion attend to or treat the Exhibit. The Veterinary Surgeon may do so even in the absence of authority from the Exhibitor, or contrary to that authority.

### 10.3 DESTRUCTION OR REMOVAL

Where, in the opinion of a Veterinary Surgeon, an Exhibit should be destroyed or removed from the Showgrounds:

- (d) the Veterinary Surgeon or any other person approved by Melbourne Royal may destroy or remove the Exhibit from the Showgrounds, or both; or
- (e) Melbourne Royal may require the Exhibitor to immediately destroy or remove the Exhibit from the Showgrounds or both.

All costs and expenses incurred by Melbourne Royal pursuant to this Regulation must be reimbursed by the Exhibitor to Melbourne Royal. Nothing in this Regulation limits Regulation 9.2.

### 10.4 NECROPSY

If an Exhibit dies while at an Event, Melbourne Royal may require that a necropsy be conducted on the animal. The Exhibitor must allow for the immediate release of the body to Melbourne Royal if requested by Melbourne Royal.

### 10.5 VETERINARY SURGEONS

Where an Exhibitor wishes to engage or consult a veterinary surgeon who is not appointed by Melbourne Royal, the Exhibitor must first inform the representative of Melbourne Royal responsible for the applicable livestock section. A Veterinary Surgeon, a Judge and Melbourne Royal itself is not required to have regard to or to consider any opinion of a veterinary surgeon so engaged or consulted by the Exhibitor, and a decision of a Veterinary Surgeon, a Judge or Melbourne Royal is final regardless of whether or not the Exhibitor has engaged or consulted a veterinary surgeon not appointed by Melbourne Royal.



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## 11. JUDGING

### 11.1 INTERFERENCE

The Exhibitor and Agents of the Exhibitor must not consult, influence or interfere with a Judge or attempt to consult, influence or interfere with a Judge or do any other thing which may influence or interfere with the Judge's freedom of choice or judgment unless it is expressly authorised by the Relevant Schedule.

Unless with the permission of Melbourne Royal, no Exhibitor or Agent of an Exhibitor may occupy the position of Judge or become in any way identified with the judging or handling of Exhibits in any class in which that person or that person's employers, family members or associates are interested. This does not apply to Stewards.

### 11.2 INDICATIONS OF OWNERSHIP

The Exhibitor, any Agent of the Exhibitor and the Exhibit must not be equipped with or wear or display anything indicating the ownership of the Exhibit before or during judgment of the Exhibit unless it is expressly authorised by the Relevant Schedule.

### 11.3 DECISION

Except as otherwise expressly provided in the Regulations, the decision of a Judge as to the merits of the Exhibit and the Exhibitor or either of them will be final, and the Exhibitor may not protest or appeal the decision.

### 11.4 PRIZES

Subject to the Relevant Schedule, a Judge may in his or her opinion:

- (a) award a second or third prize in place of a first prize;
- (b) withhold a prize where a prize should not be awarded;
- (c) where there is a tie for any placing in an Event, award subsequent placings so that the next placing will be the number of Exhibits already placed plus one (for example, if two Exhibits tie for first place, award a third for the next placing);
- (d) where all the prizes offered in an Event have been awarded and a further Exhibit is of sufficient merit to deserve a prize make a reserve number of the further Exhibit; or
- (e) give commendations where they are deserved.
- (f) award an Exhibitor more than one prize in any class where more than one entry is permitted.

### 11.5 DISQUALIFICATIONS

Where an Exhibit or an Exhibitor is disqualified and the applicable award is forfeited, Melbourne Royal may (but is not obliged to) promote the Exhibit next in order to that prize, whether the Exhibit next in order was awarded a prize or a reserve number. Exhibits next in order, whether awarded a prize or reserve number, may also be promoted to the prize next in order.

### 11.6 PRIZE CARDS

The Exhibitor must ensure that prize cards awarded for an Exhibit are displayed with the Exhibit while it is on exhibition.

### 11.7 JUDGING/STEWARDSHIP COVID HEALTH REGULATIONS

Melbourne Royal will not reimburse any costs (accommodation, meals, loss of income etc) incurred by judges, stewards or other event participants due to enforced COVID-19 isolation and/or quarantine.

Please note, some judging positions may need to be changed without notification to Exhibitors. Melbourne Royal retains the right to fill a judging position at its own discretion in the event a judge is unable to participate for any reason, including COVID-19 or any travel related restrictions.

## 12. PROTESTS AND APPEALS

### 12.1 RESTRICTED TO CLASS

Protests and appeals may only be made by Exhibitors with Exhibits in the class to which the protest relates.

### 12.2 PROTEST TO STEWARDS

The Exhibitor may protest to the Chief Steward of the relevant section in relation to conduct, judging or any other matter relating to an Event. A protest must be made in accordance with the procedures set out in the Relevant Schedule and be received by the Chief Steward within 24 hours after the conclusion of the applicable Event.

### 12.3 APPEAL

The Exhibitor may appeal against:

- (a) a decision made by Melbourne Royal pursuant to Regulations; or
- (b) a decision of the Chief Steward or if the Chief Steward delegates the person to make the decision to the Assistant Chief Steward, the decision of the Assistant Chief Steward in relation to a protest under Regulation 12.

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## 12.4 FORM OF APPEAL

To be an appeal for the purpose of Regulation 12.2 an appeal made by the Exhibitor must be:

- (a) in writing setting out in reasonable detail the grounds for the appeal;
- (b) addressed to:  
The Chief Executive Officer  
Melbourne Royal Limited  
Melbourne Showgrounds  
Epsom Road, Ascot Vale, Victoria, 3032;
- (c) accompanied by a deposit of \$200.00 (or such other amount as is notified from time to time by Melbourne Royal for the purpose of this Regulation 12.3(c)); and
- (d) received by the Chief Executive Officer by 5 p.m. on the Business Day which is 10 Business Days after the day on which the decision the subject of the appeal was made.

## 12.5 REVIEW COMMITTEE

If an appeal is made in accordance with Regulation 12.3, the Chief Executive Officer must appoint a Review Committee comprised of three people, being persons who were not part of, and who are independent of, the committee or personnel who made the decision the subject of the appeal.

Within a reasonable time after receipt by the Chief Executive Officer of an appeal complying with Regulation 12.3, the Review Committee will meet to consider the appeal.

## 12.6 PROCEEDINGS OF THE REVIEW COMMITTEE

In considering an appeal, the Review Committee must:

- (a) give due consideration to the grounds of appeal submitted by the Exhibitor, and to any other evidence submitted by the Exhibitor;
- (b) give the Exhibitor an opportunity to make oral representations to the Review Committee; and
- (c) in its discretion, call for and hear expert opinion.

## 12.7 NOTIFICATION OF REVIEW COMMITTEE'S DECISION

The Chief Executive Officer will notify the Exhibitor of the Review Committee's decision within 48 hours after that decision is notified by the Review Committee to the Chief Executive Officer. The decision of the Review Committee is final and the Exhibitor will not have any right of appeal in respect of the Review Committee's decision.

## 12.8 FORFEITURE OF DEPOSIT

Where an appeal is upheld by the Review Committee, the deposit referred to in Regulation 12.3 will be refunded to the Exhibitor when or within a reasonable time after the decision of the Review Committee is notified by the Chief Executive Officer to the Exhibitor. Where an appeal is not upheld by the Review Committee, the deposit referred to in Regulation 12.3 will be retained by Melbourne Royal.

## 13. ACCOMMODATION

### 13.1 NO OBLIGATION TO PROVIDE EXHIBIT SPACE OR ACCOMMODATION

- (a) Melbourne Royal is not obliged to provide space for an Exhibit or accommodation for an Exhibitor or any Agent of an Exhibitor. For the purposes of these Regulations, "accommodation" includes provision of a space for a person to sleep.
- (b) Where Melbourne Royal, in its discretion, allocates space for an Exhibit or accommodation for an Exhibitor or any Agent of an Exhibitor, only the allocated areas may be used, and only for the purpose designated by Melbourne Royal.

### 13.2 PERSONAL EFFECTS

Melbourne Royal has no responsibility or liability for any loss or damage:

- (a) suffered by an Exhibitor or any Agent of an Exhibitor using space provided for an Exhibit or accommodation for an Exhibitor or any Agent of an Exhibitor; or
- (b) caused to personal belongings, equipment or property which is brought onto the Showgrounds by an Exhibitor or any Agent of an Exhibitor.

## 14. FIRE REGULATIONS

### 14.1 FLAMES

The Exhibitor and any Agent of the Exhibitor must not smoke, cook, or heat water by any means whatsoever or use any device involving naked flame in or near any animal pavilion, stall, pen or locker.

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## 14.2 ELECTRICAL INTERFERENCE

The Exhibitor and any Agent of the Exhibitor must not:

- (a) subject to Regulation 14.2, use mains powered electrical devices in or near any animal pavilion, stall, pen or locker or any Exhibit.
- (b) alter or interfere with any electrical wiring, switch, plug or socket whatsoever on the Showgrounds.

## 14.3 EXCEPTIONS

Nothing in Regulation 14(a) prohibits the use of main powered electrical appliances which are, in the opinion of Melbourne Royal, essential to animal care, or the use of a light-bulb in a locker if the light-bulb is fitted in the socket provided.

## 15. VEHICLE PARKING

### 15.1 LOADING AND UNLOADING

With the prior consent of Melbourne Royal, Motor Vehicles of an Exhibitor or an Agent of an Exhibitor may enter the Showgrounds or any area under Melbourne Royal control, for the purpose of loading or unloading only. Motor Vehicles must not remain on the Showgrounds, or any area under Melbourne Royal control, and must be removed immediately upon completion of loading or unloading.

### 15.2 CARAVANS

Caravans of an Exhibitor or an Agent of an Exhibitor must not enter or remain on the Showgrounds, or any area under Melbourne Royal control, for any purpose, unless in accordance with the prior written consent of Melbourne Royal.

### 15.3 TOW AWAY

Any Motor Vehicle or Caravan entering or remaining on the Showgrounds, or any area under Melbourne Royal control, in contravention of the Regulations or of any other parking rules or restrictions, may be removed from the Showgrounds, or any area under Melbourne Royal control, by Melbourne Royal and stored. Any costs incurred by Melbourne Royal pursuant to this Regulation must be paid by the Exhibitor.

## 16. LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY

### 16.1 RELEASE

Entry to, remaining on and using the Showgrounds or any part of them by an Exhibitor is entirely at the risk of the Exhibitor and, to the maximum extent permitted by law, the Exhibitor releases Melbourne Royal (which term includes in this clause Melbourne Royal's officers, employees, members, contractors and agents), from all claims, demands and liabilities of every kind resulting from any accident, damage, injury or illness occurring at the Showgrounds and, without limitation, the Exhibitor acknowledges and agrees:

- (a) Melbourne Royal has no responsibility or liability for any loss, damage, injury or illness to or caused by any Exhibit;
- (b) Melbourne Royal has no responsibility or liability for any loss, damage, injury or illness to or caused by any Exhibitor or any Agent;
- (c) Melbourne Royal has no responsibility or liability for any loss or damage to a Motor Vehicle or any of its contents whilst it is on the Showgrounds or in any car park under Melbourne Royal's control; and
- (d) without limiting Regulations 16(a) and 16(b) above, Melbourne Royal has no responsibility or liability for any loss, damage, injury or illness resulting from the sale, treatment, failure to treat, destruction, disposal or other dealing with any Exhibit, or for any loss, damage or injury to any personal belongings, equipment or property brought onto the Showgrounds by any person.

### 16.2 INDEMNITY

To the maximum extent permitted by law, the Exhibitor indemnifies and keeps indemnified Melbourne Royal and its officers, employees, members, contractors and agents from and against all actions, claims, demands, losses, damages, costs, expenses and liabilities including without limitation, consequential loss and loss of profits for which Melbourne Royal is or may be or become liable in respect of or arising from:

- (a) loss, damage, injury or illness to any person in connection with the Exhibit or the relevant Event;
- (b) without limiting Regulation 16(a), loss, damage, injury or illness to any other Exhibit or Exhibitor, or any Agent of any other Exhibitor, or to the property of Melbourne Royal, or its members, or to the general public, or any member of the general public, caused or contributed to or by any act or omission of an Exhibit of the Exhibitor or by the Exhibitor or any Agent of the Exhibitor; and

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- (c) without limiting Regulation 16(a), loss, damage, injury or illness to the Exhibit, or to the Exhibitor or any Agent of any other Exhibitor caused or contributed to by an act or omission of an Exhibit or by the transportation, feeding, housing or exhibiting of an Exhibit.

## 16.3 REMOVAL FROM SHOWGROUNDS

Without prejudice to any other provision in these Regulations, where Melbourne Royal, its officers, employees, members, contractors or agents removes an Exhibit, or causes an Exhibit to be removed from the Showgrounds, the Exhibit is removed or caused to be removed entirely at the risk of the Exhibitor. The person or persons removing the Exhibit will be deemed to be the agent of the Exhibitor, and his or her acts and omissions will be deemed to be the acts and omissions of the Exhibitor.

## 17. ANIMAL OWNER'S LIABILITY INSURANCE

Melbourne Royal may arrange owner's liability insurance cover for Exhibitors of Exhibits that are animals, and, if Melbourne Royal does so, the Exhibitor is bound by the terms and conditions of this insurance and by applicable duties of an insured under the Insurance Contracts Act (1984). Details of owner's liability insurance cover arranged by Melbourne Royal are set out in the Relevant Schedule.

## 18. INFORMATION HANDLING

Melbourne Royal is bound by the National Privacy Principles of the **Privacy Act 1988** (Cth) and other applicable laws governing privacy.

### 18.1 COLLECTION OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

- (a) Melbourne Royal may collect, hold and use personal information about Exhibitors, their family members, invitees or Agents.
- (b) The types of information that may be collected include names and contact details, credit card details, qualifications, results of the Exhibitor's entry into the relevant Event and any reprimand, fine, disqualification, withdrawal of an award or penalty imposed on the Exhibitor in connection with entry of the Exhibit in the relevant Event. Information may also be collected from other Bodies relating to the Exhibitor's entry into events held by that Body including, without limitation, reprimands, fines, disqualifications, withdrawals of awards or penalties imposed.

- (c) Personal information is collected for the purpose of administration of Events and the Show, as well as related purposes including, without limitation, promoting the Events and the Show, maintenance of records of information relevant to qualifications for future events, maintenance of health and safety records in relation to Events, applicable insurance cover for Events and making claims under Melbourne Royal's insurance for incidents which involve an Exhibitor and occur during an Event.
- (d) Personal information may also be used for the purpose of informing Exhibitors about other events and services. Melbourne Royal may send an Exhibitor publications and information about other events and services unless the exhibitor indicates to Melbourne Royal that the Exhibitor does not want to receive such publications or information.

### 18.2 SHARING OF PERSONAL INFORMATION

- (a) Melbourne Royal may share information which has been collected by Melbourne Royal under Regulation 0 with other organisations and service providers to assist in administering the Events and the Show, including co-sponsors of Events and health service providers, indemnity or insurance providers or other Bodies, or any entity that may subsequently administer the Event.
- (b) Melbourne Royal may also publish winners details on its websites or publications or disclose information about an Exhibitor to the media for the purpose of publishing articles on the Exhibitor's participation in the Event, unless the Exhibitor has requested that the Exhibitor's personal information not be published or disclosed for these purposes.
- (c) Melbourne Royal may also disclose information if otherwise required or authorised by law.

## 19. COVID SAFE SHOW

Melbourne Royal will work closely with DHHS to ensure that the Melbourne Royal Show is compliant with all COVID Safe requirements as directed by Government and to optimise the safety for all patrons, Exhibitors, staff and competitors. To keep up to date on the most current plans to keep Melbourne Showgrounds COVID Safe, visit our COVID Safe FAQ page.

[www.melbourneshowgrounds.com/organisers/covid-19-safety/](http://www.melbourneshowgrounds.com/organisers/covid-19-safety/)



# All Breeds Championship Show *Schedule* 2023

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# 21 September – 1 October 2023

## Entry Form



MELBOURNE  
ROYAL  
ALL BREEDS  
CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

**ENTRIES CLOSE TUESDAY 1 AUGUST 2023**

**EXCLUDING BABY PUPPY ENTRIES, WHICH CLOSE ON FRIDAY 18 AUGUST 2023**

Enter online at [www.melbournroyal.com.au/dogs](http://www.melbournroyal.com.au/dogs) and save!

### PERSONAL DETAILS

USE A BLACK OR BLUE PEN AND CLEARLY PRINT WITHIN THE BOXES IN BLOCK LETTERS. LEAVE ONE BOX BETWEEN WORDS

Title:	<input type="text"/>	First Name:*	<input type="text"/>
Surname:*	<input type="text"/>		
OR School Name OR	<input type="text"/>		
Postal Address:	<input type="text"/>		
	<input type="text"/>		
Suburb / Town:*	<input type="text"/>	State:*	<input type="text"/>
	<input type="text"/>	Postcode:	<input type="text"/>
Telephone (A/H):	<input type="text"/>	Telephone (B/H):	<input type="text"/>
Mobile:	<input type="text"/>	Fax:	<input type="text"/>
Email Address:	<input type="text"/>		
<input type="checkbox"/>	TICK THIS BOX IF YOU DO NOT WISH MELBOURNE ROYAL TO USE THIS INFORMATION TO INFORM YOU ABOUT OTHER MELBOURNE ROYAL EVENTS		

\*As will appear in the Results Catalogue

### SUMMARY OF FEES

I am a Melbourne Royal Member    Melbourne Royal Member No:

OR

I am not a Melbourne Royal Member     My Membership Application Form is enclosed

Please note: That unless a Melbourne Royal membership number is provided or a Melbourne Royal membership application is enclosed, the non-member fee applies.

TYPE	QTY (NO.)	FEE		TOTAL (\$)	OFFICE USE ONLY S-RC-4410
		MEMBERS	NON-MEMBERS		
Conformation Entries		\$26.00 EACH (GST FREE)	\$34.00 EACH (GST FREE)		1324   1325
Baby Puppy		\$21.00 EACH (GST FREE)	\$26.00 EACH (GST FREE)		1324   1325
Action Dog (1ST ENTRY PER DOG)		\$26.00 EACH (GST FREE)	\$34.00 EACH (GST FREE)		1324   1325
Action Dog (2ND AND SUBSEQUENT ENTRIES PER DOG)		\$13.00 EACH (GST FREE)			1325
Brace Class		\$21.00 EACH (GST FREE)	\$29.00 EACH (GST FREE)		1324   1325
All Sweepstakes		\$16.00 EACH (GST FREE)			1325
Catalogue (Printed Copy)		\$30.00 EACH (GST INCL) or download FREE, <a href="http://www.melbournroyal.com.au/dogs">www.melbournroyal.com.au/dogs</a>			1310
Melbourne Royal Membership <a href="http://WWW.MELBOURNROYAL.COM.AU/MEMBERSHIP">WWW.MELBOURNROYAL.COM.AU/MEMBERSHIP</a>		Full: \$165.00 (GST FREE)   Restricted: \$90.00 (GST FREE)   Junior (Under 18): \$65.00 (GST FREE)			
Administration Fee (PAPER ENTRIES ONLY)		\$20.00 EACH (GST FREE)		\$20.00	1850
GRAND TOTAL				\$	

Please attach official Show/Trial entry form here







## NEUTERED & VETERAN SWEEPSTAKES

CLASS	Neutered Sweepstakes (NS)					
	Confined to any neutered dog and/or bitch aged 6 months or over. If you wish to enter more than 1 exhibit please copy entry form or contact Melbourne Royal for additional forms.					
EXHIBIT NAME 1:						

CLASS	Veteran Sweepstakes (7 years & over) (VS1)					
	Confined to any dog or bitch 7 years of age and over. For dogs or bitches born on or before 22 September 2016. If you wish to enter more than 1 exhibit please copy entry form or contact Melbourne Royal for additional forms.					
EXHIBIT NAME 1:						

## BRACE CLASS

Two exhibits, six months of age or over, of the same breed, each of which is also entered in an ordinary class at the 2023 Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show. Both exhibits must be the property of the same owner, and be handled in the judging ring by one person.

Breed:

Name of Owner:

Postal Address:

Suburb / Town:  State:  Postcode:

Telephone / Mobile:  Email:

## BABY PUPPY, PUPPY & CHAMPION SWEEPSTAKES

CLASS	Baby Puppy Sweepstakes (BPS)					
	Confined to dogs and/or bitches who were whelped on or between 23 March 2023 and 22 June 2023. Age of exhibit needs to be calculated in months not weeks. If you wish to enter more than 2 exhibits please copy entry form or contact Melbourne Royal for additional forms.					
EXHIBIT NAME 1:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
EXHIBIT NAME 2:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

CLASS	Puppy Sweepstakes (PO1)					
	Confined to dogs and/or bitches who were whelped on or between 23 September 2022 and 22 March 2023. Age of exhibit needs to be calculated in months not weeks. If you wish to enter more than 2 exhibits please copy entry form or contact Melbourne Royal for additional forms.					
EXHIBIT NAME 1:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
EXHIBIT NAME 2:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

CLASS	Champion Sweepstakes (CS1)					
	Confined to dogs and bitches who have been granted Australian title of Champion, Grand Champion, Supreme Champion prior to closing date for entries (Tuesday 1 August 2023) in the 2023 Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show. If you wish to enter more than 2 exhibits please copy entry form or contact Melbourne Royal for additional forms.					
EXHIBIT NAME 1:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
EXHIBIT NAME 2:	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

## BENCHING REQUEST FORM

Exhibitors requesting benching must have already entered into the 2023 Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show and provide signatures from all parties involved, below. Please use a separate form for each day you are exhibiting. **Entry confirmation for all exhibitors must be attached to this request.**

Melbourne Royal will make every effort to accommodate benching requests made by exhibitors of the All Breeds Championship Show, however exhibitors should be aware that due to Covid-19 specific benching requests are not always possible.

Form must be completed in full and the request must be signed by the other party you wish to be benched with to be considered. Benching requests will not be accepted in any other format. Closing date for benching requests is **Saturday 12 August 2023 at 5pm.**

Please return form to [dogs@melbourneroyal.com.au](mailto:dogs@melbourneroyal.com.au)

CONTACT DETAILS OF PERSON COMPLETING THIS BENCHING REQUEST	
<b>SECTION 1: Name of Exhibitor:</b> (e.g. Mr & Mrs J Smith OR Smithdale Kennel OR Mr J Smith, Mrs J Doe and Ms L Jones)	
Contact Name:	Contact Number:
Email address:	Date of judging:
Breed:	Number of dogs entered:
Full name of dog:	

I agree with the benching requests outlined in this document and confirm I have completed my entry as well as paid the necessary entry fees for the 2023 Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
BY CONTACT PERSON IN SECTION 1

Date: 

D	D	/	M	M	/	Y	Y
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CONTACT DETAILS OF THE PERSON YOU WISH TO BE BENCHED WITH	
<b>SECTION 2: Name of Exhibitor:</b> (e.g. Mr & Mrs J Smith OR Smithdale Kennel OR Mr J Smith, Mrs J Doe and Ms L Jones)	
Contact Name:	Contact Number:
Email address:	Date of judging:
Breed:	Number of dogs entered:
Full name of dog:	

I agree with the benching requests outlined in this document and confirm I have completed my entry as well as paid the necessary entry fees for the 2023 Melbourne Royal All Breeds Championship Show.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_  
BY CONTACT PERSON IN SECTION 2

Date: 

D	D	/	M	M	/	Y	Y
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\*PLEASE ATTACH ALL ENTRY CONFIRMATIONS TO THIS FORM.

## IMPORTED DOGS – REGISTRATION PENDING FORM

Please use this form for dogs that are waiting to be re-registered. Email form back to [dogs@melbourneroyal.com.au](mailto:dogs@melbourneroyal.com.au) prior to Friday 18 August 2023.

Contact Name	
Contact Number	
Email Address	
Class	
Dog Registration Number	
Breed	
Registered Name	
Imported Country (if applicable)	
Gender	
Date of Birth	
Sire	
Dam	
Bred By	
Owned By	
State Controlling Body Membership Number	

In signing this form, I understand the import I am entering must have re-registration papers lodged and accepted by the relevant State Controlling Body by 4pm Thursday 17 August 2023 to be eligible to exhibit.

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