

New River Express
TOO HOT TO HANDLE III
August 9-10, 2008

Welcome Letter

Welcome to NRE's "Too Hot to Handle III" tournament(s)! We're looking forward to a fun-filled and exciting weekend.

Please check our web site www.flyballdogs.com/nre and links for information including directions, hotel information, seeding charts, Saturday night potluck dinner, places to let your dogs stretch out after racing and more. Big thanks to our judge: Geoff Brown of DogGoneFast.

If you need any additional information concerning the tournament, please get in touch with Sharon Harrell saharrell@gmail.com or 540 552 1351.

Schedule

Friday	7:00 p.m.	(approximately) Single Dog/Pairs racing
	7:00 p.m.	Crating room available for setup. Indoor crating will be "cozy," and we will mark off areas for each club. If you KNOW you won't be crating inside, please let us know
Saturday:	6:30 a.m.	Building Opens
	7:15 a.m.	Measuring Begins
	7:45 a.m.	Captains' Meeting
	8:00 a.m.	Racing Begins
	5:30 p.m.	Approximate End
	6:00 p.m.	Saturday awards
	6:30 p.m.	Potluck picnic Dinner in racing bldg immediately after awards.
Sunday:	7:00 a.m.	Building Opens
	7:15 a.m.	Measuring Begins
	7:45 a.m..	Captains' Meeting, if needed
	8:00 a.m.	Racing Begins
	5:00 p.m.	Approximate End
	5:30 p.m.	Sunday awards

Racing Schedule, Format, and Scoring

We have a full racing schedule planned. The seeding and format for each division, as well as the racing schedules, can be found on our website: www.flyballdogs.com/nre.

Scoring for all divisions will be one point for each heat won and two points for winning the race. A half point will be awarded for heat ties and one point for race ties. Warm-ups will be 2 minutes for each team's first race, then 90 seconds for all the rest on Saturday. On Sunday we will start with 90 seconds for the first race and 60 seconds for the rest.. Please note that if you are printing your own C-2's, they must be single sided and include races.

Placement in case of ties:

Ties will be decided based on the following criteria:

1. Fastest time in the division
2. Fastest time head to head
3. If still tied, a tie breaker race (2 of 3 heats)

General Information

Site

Please help us continue to make a positive impression at the Community Center!

- PLEASE pick up after your dogs and take care of your own trash from your crating area. There is a green dumpster located in the parking lot. We have given the Community Center management assurances that flyball people are diligent about cleaning up after their dogs.
- RV parking is permitted in the facility lot for those who have made prior arrangement. Please park as far as possible from the building to provide better access for those unloading from cars
- Waterproof floor covering must be used under everything in the crating area.
- Outdoor crating is in the shaded area on the slope behind the building. Best parking lot to use for outdoor crating is to the right as you turn in off the street. **NO PARKING IS PERMITTED ON THE GRASS!**

Awards

We will be providing dog title awards for titles earned at our tournament. We will be donating the funds which would have been spent on first through third placement ribbons to our friends and fellow flyballers, Julie and Leerie Jenkins, to help defray the expenses of Leerie's recent illness. We're so happy that they will be joining us in Blacksburg.

Each dog racing this weekend will receive a toy from NRE at the end of Sunday's racing.

Raffle

We're experimenting with a one-item Mega-Raffle this year. Prize is a week at Micah's Beach House (waterfront dog-friendly condo in South Beach, Sea Pines, Hilton Head Island, SC). Winner may choose any available week in the next year. We'll sell a maximum of 200 tickets @ \$5.00 apiece. Proceeds will go 1/3 to New River Express, 1/3 to New River Rapids, and 1/3 to the Julie/Leerie fund (see above).

Emergency Information

Veterinary:

We have two veterinarians running dogs on our team this weekend. Please come see us first!

Otherwise emergencies may be see at:

Dublin Animal Hospital
5720 Bagging Plant Road
Dublin, VA
540 674 4706

Human:

Nearest emergency facility for humans is

Montgomery Regional Hospital
3700 South Main Street
Blacksburg, VA
540 953 5122