



K-9 Studio

Presents



2 CANADIAN ASSOCIATION OF
RALLY OBEDIENCE TRIALS AT
K-9 STUDIO, 296 E. BROCK STREET
THUNDER BAY, ON

SATURDAY, APRIL 10, 2010

SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 2010

Classes Offered:

2 Novice A/B
1 Novice Team
2 Advanced A/B/C
1 Advanced Team

Classes Offered:

1 Novice A/B
1 Advanced A/B/C
2 Excellent + C
2 Versatility + C

Entry deadline is Thursday, April 1st, 2010 at noon.

Rally-O is a sport which consists of a sequence of stations, run as a heel-work course by a handler and dog, where a sign at each station indicates an obedience exercise which the team must perform. Rally is designed to be more relaxed than precision competitive Obedience, focusing instead on attitude and enthusiasm, while the variety of exercises and courses allows you to show off your versatility and teamwork. Rally is intended to promote positive relationships between dogs and owners based on trust and mutual respect. Dogs and handlers should both appear to be enjoying the competition and each other's company.

This is a titling event under CARO rules and regulations.

For more information, go to <http://canadianrallyo.ca>

NO ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED, CANCELLED, OR TRANSFERRED AFTER THE CLOSING DATE.

MOVE-UPS BETWEEN ROUNDS / CLASSES ARE ALLOWED.

Judge: **Bonnie Christie**, Kitchener, Ontario

For more information, contact:

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Mail entries to:

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Or drop off your entries at The Dog House

CARO Dog ID CARDS

Dogs must have a CARO registration number in order to compete. It is your responsibility to ensure that your dog has a CARO Dog ID number on the day of the trial. Dog ID applications are available at the CARO web site or at K-9 Studio.

Trial Times: Saturday 9am Sunday 9 am

All times are approximate.

Awards

Qualifying ribbons will be awarded to each dog/owner team who achieves a score of 170 or better. Placements of first through fourth place ribbons will be awarded. High in Trial winner will receive a rosette and a prize.

CARO Rules

For a complete description of the Rally rules, regulations, performance guidelines, explanation of exercises, etc. go to www.canadianrallyo.ca

The RALLY NOVICE A CLASS shall be for dog/handler teams that have not won the RALLY NOVICE (RN) title As well, the handler:

- must own the dog entered, or be a member of the owner's household or immediate family
- must not have previously handled a dog that has earned an AKC, CKC or UKC obedience title (CD, CDX, UD), or a CARO or APDT Rally Excellent title or an Agility title from any recognized Agility Association
- must not be a professional dog trainer or their assistant
- must not be a judge or judge-in-training of CKC, AKC or UKC Obedience, Agility or Rally competitions

A person may enter more than one dog in this class. *No dog may be entered in both Rally Novice A and Rally Novice B at any one trial.*

The RALLY NOVICE B CLASS will be for dog/handler teams that have not won the RALLY NOVICE (RN) title OR

have won the title within the last 60 days but have not received a qualifying score in RALLY ADVANCED (RA) As well, any handler who has taken a dog to a CKC, AKC or UKC Obedience, Agility or Rally Excellent title OR is a professional dog trainer or their assistant OR is a judge or judge-in-training of CKC, AKC or UKC Obedience, Agility or Rally competitions must compete in Rally Novice B Class.

A person may enter more than one dog in this class. *No dog may be entered in both Rally Novice A and Rally Novice B at any one trial.*

The RALLY ADVANCED A CLASS shall be for dog/handler teams that have not won the RALLY ADVANCED (RA) title As well, the handler:

- must own the dog entered, or be a member of the owner's household or immediate family
- must not have previously handled a dog that has earned a title in any CKC, AKC or UKC Obedience Competition or Agility Competition
- must not have handled a dog that has received a (CARO or APDT) Rally Excellent title
- must not be a professional dog trainer or their assistant
- must not be a judge or judge-in-training of CKC, AKC or UKC Obedience, Agility or Rally competitions

A person may enter more than one dog in this class. *No dog may be entered in both Rally Advanced A and Rally Advanced B at any one trial.*

The RALLY ADVANCED B CLASS will be for dog/handler teams that have not won the RALLY ADVANCED (RA) title OR

have won the title within the last 60 days but have not received a qualifying score in RALLY EXCELLENT (RE) As well, any handler who meets the same criteria as the Rally Novice B handler must complete in Rally Advanced B Class. No dog may be entered in both Rally Advanced A and Rally Advanced B at any one trial. Entries may be arranged according to the jump height of the dogs, from either high to low or low to high.

The RALLY EXCELLENT CLASS shall be for dogs that have won the Rally Advanced (RA) title, but have not won the Rally Excellent (RX) title and are at least 6 months of age. A handler must own the dog entered or be a member of the owner's household or immediate family. A person may enter more than one dog in this class.

After a dog earns the Rally Excellent (RX) title, it may continue to compete in this class to accumulate points. Once a handler has titled a dog in Rally Excellent he/she must enter all new dogs in the B "stream" of Novice and Advanced.

Notice to Competitors

This trial is open to all dogs being at least six months of age, including purebred and non-purebred, except bitches in season or dogs with injuries or illnesses which may cause the dog pain or great discomfort, or dogs exhibiting signs of aggression that threaten the safety of other dogs or humans.

Bitches in season are not permitted to compete in these Trials. Where a bitch comes into season after the entry of the bitch has been submitted, a Veterinarian's certificate, certifying the bitch was in season within the 10 day period preceding the Trial must reach the Trial Secretary on or before the date of the Trial, whereupon the entry fees will be refunded.

Dogs with disabilities are allowed and encouraged to compete. The Dogs must not show evidence of being in pain or discomfort. The judge shall excuse any dog that does so.

Owners with disabilities are allowed. Disabled owners shall provide the judge with a written description of how they intend to perform any of the course exercises that must be modified. The modification must be approximate to the best of the handler's ability. The judge must approve and initial the modifications and attach the written description to the score sheet.

Safety shall always be of foremost consideration in actions and conduct by handlers at all times. Handlers, through entry at this event, accept full responsibility for themselves and the actions of their dogs.

Dogs may compete in more than one level concurrently. However, once a dog has titled at a particular level, showing in that level shall be for exhibition purposes only, or for special (combined score) awards.

The organizing committee may refuse any entry for any reason.

In addition, **THERE SHALL BE NO REFUND** for entries withdrawn after the closing date or in the event a dog and/or handler are dismissed from competition, regardless of reason for such dismissal. There will be no refunds if the trial has to be cancelled for any reason.

Allowable Collars All dogs shall be shown in a flat buckle or snap collar, plain harness, or properly fitted martingale (limited slip) collar. NO choke collars, prong collars, shock collars, no-pull harnesses, martingale leads or head halters are allowed. A properly fitted martingale collar should be barely larger than the circumference of the dog's neck when fully tightened.

Leashes should be made of fabric or leather and be long enough to provide adequate slack. Dogs at the Advanced and Excellent level are not required to compete with a collar except for the Honour Exercise.

Upon successful completion of an exercise, the owner may choose to briefly pet or touch the dog as a reward. The owner may also choose to give the dog food as a reward. Food may NOT be used as a lure to help the dog complete an exercise. Food rewards must be contained in pockets or hidden treat pouches and only be present in the owner's hand in between exercises.

Any petting, touching, or feeding that significantly interrupts the flow of performance shall be scored accordingly.

Food as Reward Exhibitors who plan to use food as a reward in the ring must indicate this on their registration forms. All teams who do not use food in the ring can be scheduled to compete in catalogue order prior to those teams using food.

Dogs must remain under control at all times whether on or off leash while on show grounds.

Please pick up after your dog.

Official Entry Form

DOG'S IDENTIFICATION

Dog's Name _____
 CARO Registration Number _____
 Breed _____
 Date of Birth _____
 Height At Withers _____

OWNER / HANDLER INFORMATION

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____
 Prov. _____ Postal Code _____
 Phone _____ E-Mail _____
 Handler _____

1 or 2 class entries**\$20.00 each**

3 or more Pre-Closing class entries**\$15.00 each**
 (includes multiple dogs)

Post-closing entries**\$20.00 each**

Team class**\$10.00** (\$5.00 per dog)

Team Partner

Or Partner needed

Saturday, April 10, 2010

Please Circle the Classes you Wish to Enter...

Sunday, April 11, 2010

Please Circle the Classes you Wish to Enter...

Round 1

Round 2

Novice A
 Novice B
 Novice Team

 Advanced A
 Advanced B
 Advanced C

 Advanced Team

Novice A
 Novice B

 Advanced A
 Advanced B
 Advanced C

Round 1

Round 2

Novice A
 Novice B

 Advanced A
 Advanced B
 Advanced C

 Excellent
 Excellent C

 Versatility
 Versatility C

Excellent
 Excellent C

 Versatility
 Versatility C

Total Entry Fees \$ _____

Make cheques payable to Carolyn Homonko

I/We, through the submission of this entry, acknowledge that I /we are knowledgeable of CARO Rally Obedience rules and regulations.

In consideration of the acceptance of the entry, I/We agree to abide by the rules and regulations of CARO in effect at the time of this trial, and by any additional rules and regulations as approved by CARO for this trial. I/We certify that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. I/We further agree to be bound by the GENERAL AGREEMENT printed on this entry form.

Signature: _____
 (Parent or guardian must sign if handler under 18 years)

Date _____

Entry not valid unless signed dated and submitted with correct fee.

PLEASE READ & SIGN REVERSE

GENERAL AGREEMENT

I (we) agree that **K-9 Studio**, the hosting club, under the CARO Canadian Association of Rally Obedience rules, has the right to refuse this entry for any cause, which the organizing committee alone shall deem to be sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, of the holding of the event, and of the opportunity to have the dog participate and/or to be judged, I (we) agree to hold the organizing committee, the hosting club, the CARO Canadian Association of Rally Obedience, including their members, officers, directors, agents and employees, sponsors of the event, and owners of the premises upon which the event is held and their employees, harmless from any claim for loss or injury that may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or upon the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim. I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss of this dog by disappearance, theft, death or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury to the dog, whether such loss, disappearance, appearance, theft, damage, or injury be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes. I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death resulting at any time therefore, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, howsoever such injuries, death, or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may have been alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents or any other persons.

I (we) further acknowledge that I (we) have read, understand, and will abide by the Official CARO Rules and Regulations of the Canadian Association of Rally Obedience and the provisions for entry as set forth in the Rally Test Schedule of which this entry form is a part. I (we) acknowledge and represent that the information supplied by me (us) herein is correct to the best of my (our) knowledge; if any portion of this information is found to be invalid or insufficient to establish the validity of my (our) entry, such finding shall render my (our) entry invalid in its entirety, for which there shall be no refund of fees paid. Further, I (we) represent that I am (we are) the owner(s) of the dog listed hereon, or that I (we) am (are) a family member of the dog's owner as stated and allowed in the APDT Rally rules, and that I (we) shall hold the hosting club and APDT, including their officers, directors, employees and agents and their sponsors, harmless from any liability or claim made by dog's owner.

Further, I (we) hereby grant to CARO Canadian Association of Rally Obedience, their representatives, agents, and assigns, all rights and permissions to broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission, or distribution in any format or media now known or hereafter to become known. I (we) hereby release CARO, the hosting club, their representatives, agents, and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of personality, or any similar right. All video, broadcast, and telecast rights for this event are the exclusive property of CARO or the trial host(s).

Signature: Date:

Parent or Legal Guardian signature for junior or minor entries:

Signature: Date:

If you are interested in volunteering as a course builder or timer, please let me know!