

SNIFFING DOG SPORTS, LLC. SANCTIONED TRIALS



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*Kayenna Kennels
Inc.*

Trial Dates:

October 7, 2017 Novice

October 7, 2017 Excellent

October 8, 2017 Advanced

Trial Entry Dates:

Entries Open: August 19, 2017

Entries Close: August 26, 2017

Location of Trials:

October 7: Teamsters Union Hall, 1200 – 58 Avenue SE, Calgary, AB

October 8: Kayenna Kennels, 9827 Horton Road SW, Calgary, AB

For SDS registered handlers and dogs, online Trial Entry is available (one dog per class per trial) at www.sniffingdogsports.com:

- Advanced Game— we will be playing the *Distance Game Version 1*
- Excellent Game— we will be playing the *Distance Game Version 1*
- Novice Game— we will be playing the *Distance Game Version 1*

- **This titling event is being held under the rules of Sniffing Dog Sports. The rulebook and the game rules and video examples are available at www.sniffingdogsports.com.**

Entry Information

Each trial will offer the following classes:

- Area Search
- Container Search
- Game

Trials are open to all breeds & mixes of dogs over 6 months of age. Dogs that are registered with the SDS will receive priority entry to trials.

Handlers with a current annual membership and be in good standing will receive priority entry to trials. You may join or renew your membership by going to www.sniffingdogsports.com.

Handlers may enter their dog at any competition level they choose, however, once a qualifying score is earned at a particular level, they may not enter a lower level trial.

If a team has earned a title at a given level, the team may repeat the level, but must select the Professional group. If a team has passed a class at one level, he/she may move onto the same class at the next level. For example, a team might be at Advanced level in Area Search, but at the Excellent level in Containers and Game.

Teams may also choose to compete at the same level until a title is completed. For example, if a team has qualified in Area Search at the Novice level but has not qualified in Containers or Games, that team may repeat all searches at the Novice level. The classes that are repeated are for practice only. If an NP were to be earned in a class previously passed, the passing score remains. If a team were to earn a higher score, the first score remains.

Try Before You Buy: Handlers will be permitted to participate without registering either themselves or their dog with Sniffing Dog Sports. Here is how the TBYB option works:

1. All entries will pay the per run fee.
2. TBYB runs will not receive placements, ribbons, or pins.
3. TBYB runs will not be given credit for qualifying scores unless they proceed with the SDS registration requirements for both handler and dog within 30 days of the trial completion. Upon completion of registration, the TBYB will be replaced by the dog's qualifying score and entered into the SDS database.
4. Teams that titled at the trial will receive a title certificate after completion of registration.
5. Those handlers who have completed the registration requirements with SDS will be given priority to enter the trial.
6. If the trial fills with registered handlers; TBYB handlers will be entered onto the wait list by lottery to determine the order. As mentioned above, registered members will be given priority.

Click [here](#) to enter TBYB.

Trial Limits: Handler/Dog teams may enter one, two, or all three classes per trial. ***A handler may enter one dog in a maximum of one Area Search, one Container Search and one Game search per trial weekend/location.*** If you enter the same dog in more than 3 searches, SDS will use the entry in the lowest level class as your trial entry.

A handler may enter an additional dog(s) in different trials on the same weekend/location. Or a handler may enter additional dog(s) in classes, in which no other dog is entered.

No on site registration accepted.

If the numbers of entries exceed spaces, there will be a lottery to assign spaces.

Fees: \$30 per Novice Class, \$30 per Advanced, \$35 per Excellent Class

Space Confirmation: You will receive notification of the status of your entry by ***September 4th, 10 pm.*** A wait list will be established if necessary.

Payment: Once it is confirmed that you have a space, payment must be received within the established deadline indicated in the confirmation email. If payment is not received by the established deadline, your space will be offered a person on the waiting list.

Refunds: One week after the payment due date, refunds will be issued for any reason, less a 10% fee. After the one-week from the payment due date, refunds will be issued for any dog withdrawing for medical reasons only. A veterinarian certificate may be required before the start of the trial.

Running Orders: Running order will be determined by random draw; key volunteers may be first in the running orders in order to fulfill their volunteer responsibilities.

Awards: Qualifying ribbons, title ribbons and placement ribbons through fourth place will be presented per class and overall.

General Information

Training and/or unofficial use of odor is not permitted on trial grounds. This includes all parking areas.

Dogs: Dogs must be under control at all times. The venues will require handlers to make sure barking is kept to a minimum, and that you pick up after your dogs promptly. Your dog **MUST** be on leash when not crated or in the search areas. Any handler displaying inhumane or aggressive treatment of any dog, the public or other handlers (physically or verbally) will be asked to leave the premises without refund. All dogs must be on a flat collar or harness in the search area.

Dog Etiquette: In order to keep everyone safe, there are four guidelines that we will ask you to follow -

- Pass dogs as far apart as possible. The farther the better.
- Six-foot leashes only (except while searching). No flexi-leashes.
- Pay attention to your dog at all times. Don't get distracted and let your dog wander at the end of the leash.
- Never let your dog socialize even with dogs they know.

Crating: Dogs must be secure and comfortable between searches. Benching will be in vehicles. Windows must be high enough that a loose dog cannot jump out.

Bitches in heat: Bitches in heat are allowed to compete. They will run last in each class. Please notify us as soon as possible if your bitch is in heat so we can adjust the running order.

Volunteers: We need a cadre of hard-working, fun loving, volunteers to shepherd, encourage, and assist our competitors. Your host will be requesting volunteers, please consider helping out. It is a great way to learn more about the sport and meet other friendly dog people.

Refreshments : Competitors should plan to bring their own lunch and water. There are a variety of restaurants and shopping malls within a 2 minute drive of both venues.

Rules - Competitors, through the submission of their entry, acknowledge that they have reviewed and agree to abide by the Rules and Regulations in the Sniffing Dog Sports Official Rule Book. All competitors will have an opportunity to ask questions during the judge's briefing. Please note that the judges are unable to answer individual questions before or during individual team searches.

Accommodations _ - See attached list and map. Please confirm the hotel's policy regarding pets prior to booking.

Emergency Veterinary Services

Fish Creek 24 Hour Pet Hospital – 15311 Bannister Road SE, Calgary 403-873-1700

Trial Officials

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