



2008 Royal Melbourne Championship Dog Show and Action Dog Trials

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18 - 28 September 2008

featuring a Judging Panel of 4 International and 3 Australian Judges

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY 18 JULY 2008

(with the exception of BABY PUPPIES ONLY)



BABY PUPPY SWEEPSTAKES: ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY 15 AUGUST 2008

Late entries will not be accepted.

Location: Showgrounds Dog Centre, Langs Road, Ascot Vale Victoria

Time:

Conformation Judging		10 am
Obedience Judging	Not before	9 am
Agility / Jumping and Agility Games		8.45 am

Entry Fees:

Entry Fees are per dog, per entry and include GST and VCA Levies. 'Member' refers to members of The Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria Limited (RASV). Sweepstakes entries must be entered in one ordinary class to be eligible.

Conformation

Non-Member	\$25.00
RASV Member	\$20.00

Sweepstakes-

Ordinary	\$10.00
Baby Puppy Sweepstakes	\$25.00

Action Dogs

1 st entry (PER DOG) entered in Agility / Jumping	\$25.00
2 nd & subsequent entries (SAME DOG AS FIRST ENTRY) entered in Agility / Jumping	\$ 6.00
1 st entry (PER DOG) entered into Agility Games	\$25.00
2 nd & subsequent entries (SAME DOG AS FIRST ENTRY) entered in Agility Games	\$ 6.00
1 st entry (PER DOG) entered in Obedience	\$25.00
2 nd entry (SAME DOG AS FIRST ENTRY) entered in Obedience	\$ 6.00

Junior Showmanship- Daily except Sunday 21st. \$ 6.00

(Entry forms available on the day. All entrants must show proof of age.)

Catalogues

Pre-Paid with entry	\$14.00
Catalogue	\$17.00
Marked Catalogue	\$35.00
Breed Results Sheet (per breed)	\$ 2.00

(Please Note: Marked Catalogues will be available in December and forwarded by post.)

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Entries into the Royal Melbourne Championship Dog Show are subject to the General and Special Regulations of the RAS and the VCA Rules and Regulations. These may be inspected at www.rasv.com.au and www.dogsvictoria.org.au respectively.



Dog Special Regulations

The Royal Melbourne Championship Dog Show is conducted under the General and Special Regulations of The Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria Limited. (RASV) and the Rules and Regulations of the Dogs Victoria and form part of the conditions of entry. These Special Regulations override any General Regulations where a conflict occurs. A copy of the RASV General Regulations and the VCA Rules and Regulations may be inspected at the offices of the RASV or available at www.rasv.com.au (2008 Animal General Regulations)

ENTERING FOR SHOW

- ENTRIES will be received in all sections of the Royal Melbourne Show (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 the RASV'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.
- REJECTION: The RASV may in its absolute discretion reject entries from Competitors or Exhibitors who, or whose exhibits, are or have been subject to disqualification from any Royal or other show or a breed society or similar body.
- CHANGES: Subject to regulations in the relevant Schedule no entry may be changed by the Exhibitor after entries close unless otherwise permitted by the RASV.
- ENTRY SUBMISSION: The entry fee set out in the Schedule shall be forwarded with each entry. Entries into the Royal Melbourne Championship Dog Show and Action Dog Trials must be mailed to:

Dog Section
The Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria Limited
Melbourne Showgrounds
Epsom Road
Ascot Vale Vic 3032

On or before Friday 18 July 2008 at 5.00 pm. The entry fee becomes the property of the RASV upon its receipt by the RASV and fees for withdrawn entries or entries which do not satisfy the conditions of eligibility will not be refunded.

5. EXHIBITOR: All entry forms must be signed by the Exhibitor or his authorised agent. 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 parents or guardian.

- RESTRICTIONS on the number of entries in any section or class may be made by the RASV.
- LIMITATIONS: Subject to the regulations in the relevant Schedule, no exhibit may be entered in more than one Ordinary Class. Agility, Jumping, Obedience, Agility Games and Sweepstakes Classes do not count as Ordinary Classes.
- OWNERSHIP OF EXHIBITS: Unless the RASV otherwise permits all exhibits 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 the RASV shall have the power to recognise or reject such lease as it deems fit.
- The RASV has the power without assigning any reason to:
 - cancel any event or class;
 - alter the time or place at which any class or event is to take place;
 - alter the conditions of any event;
 - remove any exhibit from the Showgrounds;
 - alter the date or time for the closing of entries for any section or class or for any particular entry;
 - transfer an exhibit and Exhibitor from any class to any other class; or
 - decline to display an exhibit.
- SHOWGROUNDS: Except with the prior written approval of the RASV, no dogs other than the dogs entered for Showing on that day are permitted to enter the Showgrounds. Dogs less than 6 months of age are prohibited at all times with the exception of those entered in the Baby Puppy Sweepstakes. Exhibitors will not be given permission to leave before 5.00 pm.

11. EXHIBIT NUMBERS: Will be posted to the Exhibitors before the Show. When dogs are being judged the handler must wear the exhibit number of only the dog being handled. The exhibit number corresponds with the bench allocated to the exhibit.

12. VEHICLE PARKING: Motor vehicles/trailers are not permitted to park within the Showgrounds. A parking fee for this Show should not be included with the entry fee.

13. JUDGING: The RASV may alter 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 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 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 his 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.

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

15. VETERINARY SERVICES: The RASV will appoint veterinary surgeons to provide a service to Exhibitors. If an animal becomes ill or suffers an injury, one of the RASV's veterinary surgeons 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 RASV appointed but in such instances must inform the Superintendent of the animal concerned. The RASV's veterinary surgeons may refuse to attend and/or treat any animal. The RASV and its veterinary surgeons 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 or of damage or injury to the animal) the refusal failure or neglect of the RASV's veterinary surgeons to attend or treat any animal.

16. CATALOGUES: Exhibitors requiring a catalogue are requested to order when lodging entries. Normal charge for Catalogues: \$17.00 each incl GST, \$14.00 if ordered and pre-paid at time of submitting entry. Only a limited number of catalogues will be available for purchase during the Show.

17. ENTRY TICKET: The RASV will issue complimentary admittance for the day the exhibit is required for judging on the following basis:

CONFORMATION:

- One pass for one or two exhibits;
- Two passes for three or four exhibits;
- Three passes for five or six exhibits;
- Four passes for seven or more exhibits

ACTION DOGS:

One pass per exhibit

18. PAYMENT OF PRIZES: Prize money will not be awarded in breed classes.

19. 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.

20. PUPPY CLASS WINNERS: Selected Puppy of Breed winners will be required to return for the judging of "Best Puppy" in Group/In Show on Saturday, 27 September 2008.

21. BENCHING: All exhibits must be benched from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm whilst being exhibited. A dog may not be so placed on the bench or in a cage as to be away from the view of the public. Every dog must be provided with a suitable collar and chain or a lead. No cages may be used for dogs other than those provided or approved by the RASV, and nothing, which will affect the view of the public, may be added to the cages. Not more than one exhibit may occupy any one bench or cage unless allocated by the RASV. Exhibits shall be placed where directed by the RASV. Intending exhibitors are advised not to make any entry unless they are prepared strictly to observe these conditions.

THE POSITION OF EXHIBIT NUMBERS ON BENCHES OR CAGES MUST NOT BE ALTERED.

22. EXHIBITORS MUST NOT SIT ON THE BENCHES: Exhibitors are advised to bring their own folding chairs.

23. SALE OF ANIMALS: The sale of animals, or signs indicating that animals are for sale, is strictly prohibited. Any exhibitor found to be displaying "for sale" signs may have their exhibits disqualified from the competition.

24. CHECK-IN OF EXHIBITS: No dog will be admitted to the judging ring unless its exhibit number is stamped and this will take place between 8.00 am and 9.00 am each day.

25. ASSEMBLY: In view of the need to expedite judging, exhibitors will be held wholly responsible for having their dogs in the judging ring immediately they are required for judging. After the Judge's 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. Exhibits which are not brought promptly to the rings when called, and the owners or handlers of which omit to obey the order of the Stewards, or are wearing more than one exhibit number, may be refused admission to the rings.

26. EXERCISING EXHIBITS: Exhibitors are advised that an exercise area will be made available between 10.30 am and 4.00 pm 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.

27. 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 Certificates are offered at this Show, at the discretion of the Judge.

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

28. ABSENCE OF EXHIBIT: Every animal entered must be exhibited unless a certificate signed by the owner is lodged with the RASV prior to the date of the Show, stating that the animal is unable to compete for one or more of the following reasons:

- The animal has died.
- The animal is unfit for exhibition due to injury or disease.
- The animal has become ineligible for the class entered.
- Some other cause which the RASV considers reasonable.

After arrival at the Showgrounds an animal may be withdrawn from an event or class if it has become unfit to compete.

2008 Judging Program. Conformation judging commences: 10.00 am for normal judging and 9.00 am on General Specials Day.

Judging Day	Judge	Breed
Thursday 18	Mr Ramon Podesta	Border Terrier; Cairn Terrier; Jack Russell Terrier; Parson Russell Terrier; Scottish Terrier; Sealyham Terrier; Skye Terrier; Welsh Terrier; Rottweiler.
	Mrs Rose-Marie Cabion	British Bulldog; French Bulldog; Field Spaniel; Flat Coated Retriever.
	Mr Yoshi Mori	Australian Silky Terrier; Bichon Frise; English Toy Terrier (Black & Tan); Maltese; Yorkshire Terrier; Foxhound; Pharaoh Hound; Saluki.
	Mr Izumi Awashima	Australian Cattle Dog; Australian Kelpie; Australian Shepherd Dog; Australian Stumpy Tail Cattle Dog; Belgian Shepherd Dog (Groenendael); Belgian Shepherd Dog (Laekenois); Belgian Shepherd Dog (Malinois); Belgian Shepherd Dog (Tervueren).
	TBA	Junior Showmanship Competition.
	Mr Keith Millington	Action Dog Trials (Obedience Dogs).
Friday 19	Mrs Rose-Marie Cabion	Poodle (Miniature); Poodle (Standard); Poodle (Toy); Cocker Spaniel; Cocker Spaniel (American); Italian Spinone; Lagotto Romagnolo.
	Mr Yoshi Mori	Havanese ; Dachshund (Long Hair); Dachshund (Min. Long); Dachshund (Wire); Dachshund (Min. Wire); Dachshund (Smooth); Dachshund (Min. Smooth); Basset Fauve de Bretagne; Finnish Spitz; Harrier; Norwegian Elkhound; Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen.
	Mr Izumi Awashima	Maremma Sheepdog; Akita Inu; Dogue de Bordeaux; Italian Corso Dog; Mastiff; Neapolitan Mastiff; Pyrenean Mastiff; Tibetan Mastiff.
	TBA	Junior Showmanship Competition.
	Mr Keith Millington	Action Dog Trials (Obedience Bitches).
Saturday 20	Mrs Rose-Marie Cabion	Golden Retriever; Clumber Spaniel; Bracco Italiano; Boston Terrier; Eurasier; Schipperke; Shih Tzu.
	Mr Yoshi Mori	Cavalier King Charles Spaniel; Griffon Bruxellois; King Charles Spaniel; Pomeranian.
	Mr Izumi Awashima	Border Collie; St Bernard; Samoyed; Shiba Inu; Kuvasz.
	TBA	Junior Showmanship Competition.
	Mr Keith Millington	Action Dog Trial (Agility and Jumping).
Sunday 21	Mr Ramon Podesta	Bernese Mountain Dog; Boxer.
	Mrs Rose-Marie Cabion	Irish Setter; Irish Red & White Setter; Canaan Dog; Great Dane.
	Mr Yoshi Mori	Chinese Crested Dog; Japanese Chin; Miniature Pinscher.
	Mr Edward Pickering	Baby Puppy Sweepstakes
	Mr Edward Pickering	Champion Sweepstakes
	Mr Michael Camac	The Royal Agricultural Society Pedigree® Annual Puppy Award (Bred in Australia)
	Mr Michael Camac	Pedigree® Owner, Breeder Handler Sweepstakes
	TBA	Pedigree® National Junior Showman Final
Monday 22	Mr Ramon Podesta	Fox Terrier (Wire); Fox Terrier (Smooth); Lakeland Terrier; Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier; Whippet.
	Mrs Rose-Marie Cabion	English Setter; English Springer Spaniel; Chow Chow; German Spitz (Mittel); German Spitz (Klein); Lhasa Apso; Shar Pei.
	Mr Izumi Awashima	Newfoundland; Portuguese Water Dog; Siberian Husky; Norwegian Buhund; Polish Lowland Sheepdog; Welsh Corgi (Cardigan); Welsh Corgi (Pembroke).
	TBA	Junior Showmanship Competition.
Tuesday 23	Mr Ramon Podesta	Weimaraner; Weimaraner (Long Hair); American Staffordshire Terrier; Dandi Dinmont Terrier; West Highland White Terrier.
	Mrs Rose-Marie Cabion	Dalmatian; Tibetan Terrier; Irish Water Spaniel; Hungarian Vizsla; Hungarian Wirehaired Vizsla.
	Mr Yoshi Mori	Deerhound; Beagle; Borzoi; Bluetick Coonhound; Hamiltonstovare.
	Mr Izumi Awashima	Bouvier Des Flandres; Schnauzer (Giant); Schnauzer (Miniature); Schnauzer; Canadian Eskimo Dog; Central Asian Shepherd Dog; Finnish Lapphund; German Pinscher.
	TBA	Junior Showmanship Competition.
Wednesday 24	Mr Ramon Podesta	Collie (Rough); Collie (Smooth); Shetland Sheepdog; Airedale Terrier; Norfolk Terrier; Norwich Terrier; Manchester Terrier.
	Mr Yoshi Mori	Basenji; Basset Hound; Greyhound; Otterhound; Rhodesian Ridgeback; Sloughi; Affenpinscher; Italian Greyhound.
	Mr Izumi Awashima	Black Russian Terrier; Komondor; Leonberger; Spanish Mastiff; Bearded Collie; Briard; German Shepherd Dog; Old English Sheepdog; Pumi; Puli; Swedish Lapphund; Swedish Vallhund.
	TBA	Junior Showmanship Competition.
Thursday 25	Mr Ramon Podesta	Labrador Retriever; Dobermann; Deutscher Jagdterrier; Kerry Blue Terrier; Staffordshire Bull Terrier.
	Mrs Rose-Marie Cabion	Peruvian Hairless Dog; Brittany; German Shorthair Pointer; German Wirehair Pointer; Gordon Setter; Large Munsterlander; Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever; Sussex Spaniel; Welsh Springer Spaniel.
	Mr Yoshi Mori	Pug; Lowchen; Pekingese; Tibetan Spaniel; Bloodhound; Ibizan Hound; Irish Wolfhound.
	TBA	Junior Showmanship Competition.
Friday 26	Mr Ramon Podesta	Afghan Hound; Australian Terrier; Bedlington Terrier; Bull Terrier; Bull Terrier (Miniature); Cesky Terrier; Glen of Imaal Terrier; Irish Terrier; Tenterfield Terrier.
	Mrs Rose-Marie Cabion	Japanese Spitz; Keeshond; Curly Coated Retriever; Chesapeake Bay Retriever; Pointer.
	Mr Yoshi Mori	Chihuahua (Long); Chihuahua (Smooth); Papillon.
	Mr Izumi Awashima	Alaskan Malamute; Anatolian Shepherd Dog; Bullmastiff; Kangal; Pyrenean Mountain Dog.
	TBA	Junior Showmanship Competition.
The order of judging for Group Specials will be Group 3; Group 1; Group 5; Group 2; Group 7; Group 4; Group 6.		
Saturday 27 9.00 am Start	Mr Ramon Podesta	Group 2 (Terriers) and Best In Show.
	Mrs Rose-Marie Cabion	Group 3 (Gundogs) Specials; Group 7 (Non-Sporting) Specials.
	Mr Yoshi Mori	Group 1 (Toys) Specials; Group 4 (Hounds) Specials.
	Mr Izumi Awashima	Group 5 (Working) Specials; Group 6 (Utility) Specials.
	Mr Keith Millington	Action Dog Trial (Best Obedience Exhibit).
		Junior Showmanship Competition Final (Will be a member of the International Judging Panel).
Sunday 28	Mr Keith Millington	Action Dogs (Agility Games).

Introducing the 2008 International Judging Panel

Mr Ramon Podesta (Chile)



Group 2 TERRIERS and Terrier Group Specials.
Part Group 3 GUNDOG: (Labradors, Weimaraners, Weimaraners (Longhair)).
Part Group 4 HOUND: (Afghan Hounds & Whippets).
Part Group 5 WORKING: (Collies (Rough), Collies (Smooth), Shetland Sheepdogs).
Part Group 6 UTILITY: (Bernese Mountain Dogs, Boxers, Dobermanns, Rottweilers).
GENERAL SPECIALS – BEST IN SHOW

Ramon has owned and bred a record number of Champions and top dogs in the country including Latin American International and World Champions. He has been an All Breeds judge since 1978 and has judged in many countries including Argentina, Mexico, Canada, South Africa, England and World Shows in Argentina, Brazil, Austria and Portugal. Ramon has been involved in breeding and exhibiting many breeds, Basset Hounds, Collies, Schnauzers to name just a few. He is a member of the Scientific Committee of the FCI and was President of the Kennel Club de Chile. We welcome Ramon as he brings his wealth of experience to the 2008 Royal Melbourne Dog Show.

Mrs Rose-Marie Cabion (South Africa)



Group 3 GUNDOGS: (LESS Labradors, Weimaraners & Weimaraners (Longhair)) and Gundog Group Specials.
Group 7 NON SPORTING and Non-Sporting Group Specials.

Rose-Marie has been involved in dogs since 1954 when she first started showing her mother's Bulldog. In 1969 she started showing and breeding Labrador Retrievers under the "Sleepy Hollow" prefix. Her involvement with other breeds include Whippets and Greyhounds. In addition to showing and breeding dogs, Rose-Marie has been very active in the administrative side of the dog world and was the first lady to be appointed to serve on the Federal Council of the Kennel Union of Southern Africa – a position she held for many years.

Her judging assignments have taken her to many parts of the world, Brazil, Finland, Ireland, England, Norway and Australia, to name just a few. She started judging the Gundog Group in 1967 and became an All Breeds judge in 1984. We welcome Rose-Marie back to Melbourne and hope she enjoys her judging appointment.

Mr Yoshi Mori (Japan)



Group 1 TOYS and Toy Group Specials.
Group 4 HOUNDS: (LESS Afghan Hounds & Whippets) and Hound Group Specials.

Yoshi has been involved in dogs from a very young age. He started with a German Shepherd Dog and then became interested in Collies and Shetland Sheepdogs finishing with over 50 Championship titles. Yoshi had to choose between showing and judging and chose to show dogs for 15 years before he returned to judging in 1998. He has judged in many parts of the World including England, America, China and Russia. Yoshi is an AKC, FCI, AKU, JKC and All Breeds judge. We extend a warm welcome to Yoshi for the 2008 Royal Melbourne Dog Show.

Mr Izumi Awashima (Japan)



Group 5 WORKING: (LESS Collies (Rough), Collies (Smooth) & Shetland Sheepdogs) and Working Group Specials.
Group 6 UTILITY (LESS Bernese Mountain Dogs; Boxers, Dobermanns & Rottweilers) and Utility Group Specials

Izumi has bred and exhibited German Shepherd Dogs since 1980 and has been involved with breeding Siberian Huskies and Shiba Inus. He qualified as an All Breeds judge in 2002 and has judged in many parts of the World including the Phillipines, India, Singapore, Argentina, Germany, Poland and the World Dog Show in Mexico City. Izumi is Director of the Japan Kennel Club and enjoys Scuba diving in his spare time. Whilst not his first time in Australia, we hope Izumi enjoys his stay in Melbourne and especially his first assignment at the 2008 Royal Melbourne Dog Show.

Conformation Classes and Age of Exhibits

		DOGS	BITCHES
<i>Minor Puppy</i>	(6 and under 9 months)	Class 2	Class 2A
<i>Puppy</i>	(6 and under 12 months)	Class 3	Class 3A
<i>Junior</i>	(9 and under 18 months)	Class 4	Class 4A
<i>Intermediate</i>	(18 and under 36 months)	Class 5	Class 5A
<i>Australian Bred</i>	(6 months or over)	Class 10	Class 10A
<i>Open</i>	(6 months or over)	Class 11	Class 11A

Exhibits must be benched from 9.00 am until 5.00 pm. The Age of Exhibits is to be calculated as at the first day of the Show (18 September 2008). An Exhibit shall be entered in one Ordinary Class ONLY. Entry Fees: Please refer to page 1.

Judging Guidelines

ANKC Regulations

Regulation (2)(g) ELIMINATIONS: (i) A puppy exhibit which wins Best Of Breed but is not awarded Best Puppy In Group, shall be eliminated from competing for Best Exhibit In Group 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th.

A puppy exhibit which wins Best Exhibit In Group but is not awarded Best Puppy In Show, shall be eliminated from competing for the Best Exhibit In Show 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th.

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.

General Specials Judging

The format of judging General Specials at the 2008 Royal Melbourne Show will take on a new format. Each Group will be judged in its entirety, in the same ring, in the order listed below. Judging will start with Best Puppy in Group followed by Best Exhibit in Group. Weather permitting, judging will take place outside on the Main Dog Judging Ring. Judging will commence at 9.00am and the Groups will be judged in the following order:-

Group 3 Mrs Rose-Marie Cabion (South Africa)

Group 1 Mr Yoshio Mori (Japan)

Group 5 Mr Izumi Awashima (Japan)

Group 2 Mr Ramon Podesta (Chile)

Group 7 Mrs Rose-Marie Cabion (South Africa)

Group 4 Mr Yoshio Mori (Japan)

Group 6 Mr Izumi Awashima (Japan)

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 Puppy in Group.
2. Best Exhibit in Group, placed in the order 4th, 3rd, 2nd, 1st.
3. Best Puppy in Show.
4. Best Exhibit in Show, placed in the order 4th, 3rd, 2nd, 1st.

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 eligible to return on General Special's day.

Puppy in Group

Only Best Puppy in Group award will be offered. Therefore, only puppies that have won Best Puppy of Breed are eligible to compete for Best 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 Puppy in Group.

Best Exhibit in Group

Only exhibits, which 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 Regulation (2)(g)(i) above. 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.

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.

Best Exhibit in Show

Only exhibits, which 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 regulation (2)(g)(i) above. The judge shall have the book marked in order of preference 1, 2, 3, 4. The microphone steward starting with the Toy Group shall then announce the breed; exhibit number, dog's name and the owner's name, suburb/town and state. The microphone steward shall then announce, from the judge's book, the 4th place-getter, which shall then proceed to the fourth peg and be presented with any awards. The same procedure is then followed for the 3rd place-getter, 2nd place-getter and Best In Show.

Action Dog Classes

Order of Judging will be as advertised below.

OBEDIENCE

AGILITY

JUMPING

DOGS

BITCHES

Class Description	Class Number
UDX	20
UTILITY	18
CCD	12
NOVICE	14
OPEN	16

Class Description	Class Number
UDX	21
UTILITY	19
CCD	13
NOVICE	15
OPEN	17

Class Description	Class Number
MASTER	25
EXCELLENT	24
OPEN	26
NOVICE	23

Class Description	Class Number
OPEN	30
EXCELLENT	28
MASTER	29
NOVICE	27

AGILITY GAMES

Snooker	Class No
NOVICE	58
EXCELLENT	59
MASTER	60

Gamblers	Class No
NOVICE	54
EXCELLENT	55
MASTER	56

Strategic Pair	Class No
NOVICE	50
EXCELLENT	51
MASTER	52

GENERAL CONDITIONS

Action Dog classes are subject to the ANKC rules and regulations. The RASV 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. TITLES AND HEIGHT CATEGORY (AGILITY/JUMPING AND GAMES) AND ACTUAL HEIGHT AT SHOULDER (OBEDIENCE) MUST BE STATED ON ENTRY FORMS.** Exhibits must be benched when not required for Judging and remain in the benching pavilion until 5.00 pm or the conclusion of judging whichever is the later.

Agility and Jumping trials will be conducted on Saturday 20 September, and will be comprised of one round only.

Obedience trials will be conducted on Thursday 18 September (Dogs) and Friday 19 September (Bitches). In the event entries received for an Obedience Trial Class are more than can be satisfactorily accommodated within the time allotted, at the RASV's discretion, the following shall apply "Any dog receiving a non-qualifying score in any exercise or in total, shall immediately be out of the competition, and shall leave the ring at the direction of the Judge."

In the event of inclement weather, judging of Conformation Classes may be conducted in the same pavilion or ring.

Agility Games will be conducted on Sunday 28 September.

Check In

Obedience: 7.45 – 8.30 am

Agility / Jumping and Agility Games: 7.15 – 8.15 am – **NO Vet checking.**

For "Check-In" locations please refer to the Exhibitor Information Booklet.

Best In Trial

Judging of Best Exhibit in Obedience Trial will be held on General Special's Day, Saturday 27 September 2008. All Obedience Class winners to return on that day for presentations and judging of Best in Trial.

Awards

Trophy, Sash & Sponsors product are awarded to Best Exhibit in Obedience Trial; Fastest round in the Agility Trial and Fastest round in the Jumping Trial. A combination of trophies, sashes, rosettes, ribbons and sponsors product are awarded for class placings in Action Dog classes (Obedience, Agility, Jumping and Games).

Introducing the 2008 Action Dog Judge



Mr Keith Millington – SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Action Dogs (Obedience)
Agility & Jumping
Agility Games
Best In Trial

Keith Millington first started training dogs in 1970 and has competed in Obedience, Agility, Retrieving Trials and Endurance Tests. He became a full panel Obedience Judge in 1978 and has judged in most states of Australia since then.

In the past, Keith has held many administrative positions at both club and state level, including President and Head Instructor at Club level and is a former Chair of the Obedience Advisory Committee for SA.

Keith is a Life Member of the Southern Districts Kennel and Obedience Dog Club, the Gundog Club of South Australia and the North Australian Canine Association. Keith was the first SA Agility judge to gain an Agility title with his Golden Retriever.

He is a current instructor at the South Australian Obedience Dog Club, Head Instructor at the Gundog Club of South Australia and is a past president of the Rotary Club of Mitcham Inc. We trust Keith enjoys his judging assignment at the 2008 Royal Melbourne Championship Dog Show and Action Dog Trials.

Introducing the 2008 Sweepstakes Judging Panel



Mr Edward Pickering (Ted) – NEW SOUTH WALES

Baby Puppy Sweepstakes
Champion Sweepstakes

Edward has been involved in the dog world for around 35 years. His main involvement has been with the Shih Tzu breed. He is active in all aspects of the dog world including Stewarding, Judges Training and Show Management. Edward is currently Chief Steward at the Sydney Royal Easter Show – Dog Section. His extensive judging career has taken him to many parts of the world. We extend a warm welcome to Edward who is looking forward to judging at the 2008 Royal Melbourne Championship Dog Show and Action Dog Trials.



Mr Michael Carnac – SOUTH AUSTRALIA

The Royal Agricultural Society Pedigree® Annual Puppy Award (Bred in Australia)
Pedigree® Owner / Breeder / Handler Sweepstakes

Michael has been involved in the Dog world since 1968 as a breeder, exhibitor and exporter of Australian Silky Terriers. His involvement has also included Poodles and Lhasa Apsos. He has been involved in taking many Silky Terriers to Championship status, Best in Show and Best in Group awards. In 1992 Michael was invited to lecture on Australian Silky Terriers to the Terrier Judges at the Terrier Derby Conference in Sweden.

His involvement in Lhasa Apsos has earned their current dog the title of number one Dog All Breeds in South Australia and Australia's number one Lhasa Apso 2006 and 2007. Michael served as an elected Council member of the South Australian Canine Association for four years. He was first approved to judge the Toy Breeds in 1978 and achieved All Breeds status in 1989. He has officiated at shows in Sweden, Canada and Japan, to name a few, and is currently contracted to judge at the World Show 2008 to be held in Sweden. Michael is currently the Group Seven (Non-Sporting) Co-ordinator, Examiner/Assessor and Breed Lecturer with the Judges Training Scheme in South Australia. With his wealth of experience, we welcome Michael to the 2008 Royal Melbourne Championship Dog Show and Action Dog Trials.



The Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria Limited

PEDIGREE® ANNUAL PUPPY AWARD

(Bred in Australia)

Prize: Pedigree® product

Qualification:

Winner of Puppy In Show at a Group Club, Breed Speciality or Multi Breed Championship Show.

Or

Puppy In Group at an All Breeds Championship Show.

Above win(s) between 1 July 2007 and 30 June 2008 conducted in Victoria.

Bred in Australia.



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CHAMPIONS SWEEPSTAKES

Prize: Pedigree® product

Qualification:

Obtained and have been granted Australian title of Champion prior to closing date for entries in the 2008 Royal Melbourne Championship Dog Show.



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PEDIGREE® OWNER, BREEDER, HANDLER SWEEPSTAKES

Prize: Pedigree® product

Conditions of Entry:

Sole or joint ownership permitted. Three components must be *exactly* the same (if bred as joint owner, must still be owned as joint ownership).

Animals on lease not eligible.



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BABY PUPPY SWEEPSTAKES

**CLOSING DATE:
15/8/2008**

Prize: Pedigree® product

For dogs of three (3) months and under six (6) months of age as at 18/9/2008.

Born on or between 17/3/2008 and 18/6/2008.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Use a black or blue pen and clearly print within the boxes in BLOCK LETTERS. Leave one box between words. Exhibit MUST be entered in an Ordinary Class at the 2008 Royal Melbourne Championship Dog Show. Please indicate on Cheque book entry form Special Class entered.

P01: ROYAL AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY PEDIGREE® ANNUAL PUPPY AWARD

EXHIBIT NAME

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Name and date of Fixture at which Puppy Qualified

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CS1: CHAMPIONS SWEEPSTAKES

EXHIBIT NAME

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Date Champion title granted

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OBH: PEDIGREE® OWNER, BREEDER, HANDLER SWEEPSTAKES

EXHIBIT NAME

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OWNER NAME

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BREEDER NAME

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HANDLER NAME

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BPS: BABY PUPPY SWEEPSTAKES

EXHIBIT NAME

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Date Of Birth

D: D: M: M: Y: Y: Y: Y:

2008 ROYAL MELBOURNE CHAMPIONSHIP DOG SHOW ENTRY FORM

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18 SEPTEMBER – 28 SEPTEMBER 2008 **ENTRIES CLOSE: 18 JULY 2008 AT 5.30 PM.**



Return this entry form to: Dog Section, The Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria Limited
Melbourne Showgrounds, Epsom Road, ASCOT VALE VIC 3032 Phone: +61 3 9281 7419 Fax: +61 3 9281 7592

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PERSONAL DETAILS

KENNEL NAME

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EXHIBITOR NAME

Title First Name

Exhibitor Surname

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Postal Address (for exhibit tickets and competition information)

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Suburb/Town State Postcode

Telephone (A/H) Telephone (B/H) Mobile

Email Address (Please provide your email address if you wish to receive information about this competition electronically.)

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I hereby apply to enter the foregoing exhibit/s in terms of and under the conditions set out in the Association Constitution Rules and Regulations and the RASV General & Special Regulations by which I agree to be bound and I hereby certify to the correctness of the particulars endorsed hereon.

Signature: Date:

Please note that BOTH your Cheque Book Style entry form AND this form MUST be signed.

GST INFORMATION (please complete either GST information or Hobbyist Declaration)

GST Registered? Yes No

RASV Member? Yes No

ABN No.

Member No.

HOBBYIST DECLARATION: I (Exhibitor name as stated on the entry form) declare that the goods or services supplied to The Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria Limited are done as a private recreational pursuit or hobby, or are domestic in nature.

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