

Dogs NSW Agility & Jumping Dog of the Year

Information for NSW Agility Dog of the Year, and the NSW Jumping Dog of the Year.

The Regional Qualifying Heats (RQH) – Agility and Jumping.

- There will be 12 Regional Qualifying Heats (RQH) for Agility and 12 Regional Qualifying Heats (RQH) for Jumping. These heats may be conducted independently of but in conjunction with an ANKC trial.
- All RQH events will be conducted as a one round event, which is open to all dogs eligible to compete in any ANKC Agility class.
- Entry into the RQH will be via Official Show Entry Forms as required for an ANKC trial.
- Each event will be catalogued as per normal ANKC rules but there will not be the option of running an RQH in separate height classes.
- Both RQH courses (Agility/Jumping) will be designed similar to an ANKC Open (Agility/Jumping) course and must consist of 20 obstacles. The RQH must be judged under Open rules and Open Standard Course Time. The exception will be the exclusion of the Distance Handling section. It will be mandatory to include the Weaving Poles in an RQH Jumping Class.
- ***Presentations.*** No qualification cards will be issued in this event, however the Agility Committee has commissioned a special 'Clear Round' sash to be presented for clear rounds achieved at this event. Clubs can order these from the Dogs NSW Office. It is expected Clubs will provide trophies for winners and place-getters as they do for any other Trial Classes.
- Points will be awarded to the place-getters as follows:
 - 40 points for 1st place, 39 points for 2nd place etc down to 1 point for 40th place.
 - 40 points applies to all heats regardless of the number of entries.
- Points are only awarded to dogs that have not been disqualified.
- ***Tied results.*** To calculate points for a tied result add the points to be awarded for that place, plus the next position/s and divide the result by the number of tied dogs. For example if three dogs tied for fifth place (assuming there are 40 dogs entered), then 5th place would equal 36 points. Take the next two places 6th place (35 points) and 7th place (34 points), add 36+35+34 = 105, divide by 3 (number of tied dogs) = 35. Each of the dogs would receive 35 points.
- The RQH events and the Dog of the Year Finals are never to be run in separate height classes. They are only ever to be run as one class.

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The Final

- The *Balder Trophy* will be awarded to the competitor/s who obtain/s the highest aggregate score in 6 out of the 12 RQH - Agility. In the event of a tie, the Trophy will be shared.
- The *Geronimo Cup* will be awarded to the competitor/s who obtain/s the highest aggregate score in 6 out of the 12 RQH - Jumping. In the event of a tie, the Cup will be shared.
- Both finals will be conducted at the Dogs NSW Festival of Agility each year.
- The top 40 places with the highest aggregate scores from a maximum of 6 in each RQH's (Agility & Jumping) will be invited to compete in the appropriate Final.
- Both Final courses (Agility/Jumping) will be designed similar to an ANKC Open (Agility/Jumping) course and must consist of 20 obstacles. The RQH Final must be judged under Open rules and Open Standard Course Time. The exception will be the exclusion of the Distance Handling section. It will be mandatory to include the Weaving Poles in an RQH Jumping Final.

Results

Results for each RQH (Agility & Jumping) should be forwarded within five days to:

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Please ensure a catalogue (unmarked) and the original RQH Judge's Score Sheets are included.