

The Festival Club Challenge (FCC)

The Dogs NSW Agility Committee invites ANKC Affiliate Clubs to enter a Team in the Festival Club Challenge. This is a novelty team event in which your club members compete for the FCC Perpetual Trophy. This will be awarded to the winning club team for the club to display for the next 12 months until the next Festival of Agility.

No qualifications certificates will be awarded in either class.

Entry

ANKC affiliates can nominate one team only.

Entry is to be made on the Club's Letterhead.

The Team Entry Fee will be as per the Journal advertisement for the Festival of Agility.

The close of entry will be as per the Journal advertised date for the Festival of Agility.

The names of the 5 team members and dogs (consisting of one dog from each height category; 200, 300, 400, 500 and 600) must be declared on the Entry Letterhead.

A team member may handle more than one dog in the team.

Eligibility

To represent a club the following rules apply :-

- Team members must be members of the Affiliated Club and members of Dogs NSW, or other ANKC affiliated body, and may only represent one team.
- Any dog registered with Dogs NSW, or other ANKC affiliated body, may only represent one team.
- Affiliates unable to field a dog in any height category from their own club membership may borrow a dog owned by a non-club member, but it **MUST** be handled by a club member.
- Prior to the commencement of the first event of the competition dogs/team members may be substituted. No further substitutions will be allowed.

Courses

The event is over one Agility and one Jumping Course.

The courses are of an RQH design using the obstacles specified in these courses.

All team members must compete on both courses

Scoring

Results will be determined by standard ANKC trial scoring with the following exceptions:-

- A disqualification will incur a penalty of 50 faults, however, if the dog goes off course it should be taken back to the obstacle missed and re-attempt it before continuing the course. The dog should then continue and complete the remainder of course as correctly as possible as further faults / disqualifications under standard rules will be accumulated as they occur to a maximum score of 200 penalty faults.
- **NOTE:** A dog will score the 50 penalty faults on each occasion that it goes off-course. No regard is to be taken of how many "out of order" obstacles it takes on each occasion, before going back to the missed obstacle and re-attempting it.
- Failure to complete the course for any reason will incur a score of 200 penalty faults.
- The clear rounds and faults of all 5 team members for both events will be added together to give the team's Total Score.
- The team with the lowest Total Score (ie - least total faults) will be the winner.
- Where two or more teams have equal lowest scores the team with the least total COURSE faults will be declared the winner.
- Where the total course faults are still equal the course time of each team member will be added together to give a total team time. The fastest team time will then be declared the winner.