

Viva Las Flyball '10

Presented by Revolution Flyball

United Sports Training Center
1426 Marshallton - Thorndale Road
Downingtown, PA 19335

Welcome to the Viva Las Flyball Tournament. Viva Las Flyball is a 2-day single unlimited tournament with 23 regular, 9 multi-breed, 17 open and 1 veteran teams. Placement awards and dog prizes will be awarded for win, place and show. Be sure to sign up all dogs that have achieved new titles throughout the weekend. We will also have a sheet available on Saturday to sign-up Jr. Handlers. If anyone has any suggestions or concerns, please see any Revolution Flyball member for assistance. Welcome bags will be available at the captain's meeting on Saturday morning. The judges will be Dave Walt and Dave Dery, with relief judging by Carle Lee Detweiler. Daniel Rouse will be working on his apprentice judging assignments under Dave Walt's supervision, so please be sure to give Daniel some especially challenging racing to observe ;) We are also happy to welcome Infurno, whose team members will be staffing one of our rings throughout the weekend.

We are proud to be back at United Sports Training Center, and hope that it is a fun experience for all. Please help us maintain flyball's spotless reputation by putting tarps under crates, not using open bowls of water that can be easily spilled, and picking up after your dogs. As in the past, taping anything to the floor is strictly prohibited. Please note that the facility has a no alcohol on premises policy.

Facility Information and Parking

The facility includes a vast indoor space which will allow for indoor crating separate but adjacent to the racing rings. Our space is to the back and left of the facility as approached by the main front doors. We have parking close to the side doors that access the flyball rings and crating, however space closest to the building is somewhat limited. If you are crating indoors, please be considerate of those that crate in their vehicles and plan to move your vehicle to a farther space once you have unloaded. Handicapped parking is available. The facility also has many outdoor fields that may be in use. Please keep this in mind with regards to your personal belongings. The facility is in a nice area, but the general public will have access to the grounds while we are there. If you are bringing an RV, please email Lisa at lisadospassos@gmail.com so we can plan out parking space for you.

Please note that if you are approaching USTC by travelling east on 340 from Rt 30, there is an underpass that has a 13.5' clearance. Larger vehicles must take an alternate route. (please see <http://www.go2ustc.com/directions.shtml> for alternate directions to approach the site.)

General Tournament Info

There are 50 teams from 22 clubs participating in this year's VLF. The tournament will be two-ring with ample space for indoor crating separate from the racing area. Initial warm up times will be 90 seconds started from the time the previous race's box is picked up. After the each team's first race, warm ups will be reduced to 60 seconds started from the time the previous race's box is picked up. Racing will be 3/5 format across all divisions except for O1/Vets division.. Open 1 teams will race 3/5 except when racing the vets team, at which time format is 3/3.

NAFA C-2 score sheets will be filled out with race schedules pre-printed. They will consist of one double-sided sheet for each team. If you are using stickers, be sure to bring one for each side of the sheet. Please do not bring entire C-2 sheets unless your sheets have the races pre-printed. For your added convenience, Rob has offered to pre-enter team information on the C2 sheets. Please send your team name, dog's names, jump heights if known and CRN's to Rob by Wednesday, November 10, 2010 at 11:59 pm. Rob's email is rcamoore3@gmail.com. For any additional questions about this year's tournament, please contact Jennifer Rouse (TD) at jgrouse@verizon.net.

Schedule

Friday Night

4:00 pm Building open for setup
5:30pm Registration for single dog racing begins
6:00 pm Single dog racing begins
8:00 pm Single dog racing ends.

Saturday

6:30 am Building opens
7:00 am Box Measuring
7:15 am Dog Measuring
7:45 am Captains Meeting
8:00 am Racing Starts
12:00 pm The black ring closes for lunch, racing continues in the white ring
12:30pm Racing resumes in the black ring, the white ring closes for lunch break
1:00pm Both rings open for racing
5:00pm Approximate end of racing

Sunday

7:00 am Building opens
8:30 am Racing Starts
12:00 pm The black ring closes for lunch, racing continues in the white ring
12:30pm Racing resumes in the black ring, the white ring closes for lunch break
1:00pm Both rings open for racing
3:00 pm Approximate end of racing with Awards to immediately follow

Scoring:

- 2 points for winning race, no points for losing race, 1 point for each team in the event of a tied race. No tournament points awarded for individual heats. For 3/5 formatted races, a maximum of 5 heats will be raced.
- Division placements are awarded by adding up accumulated points. In the event of a tied placement, winner will be determined by: 1. Fastest head to head time, 2. fastest overall time, 3. Tiebreaker race: 2/3 format.

Friday Night Flights (Friday night single dog racing):

Back by popular demand, Friday night single dog racing will start at 6 pm and ends at 8pm. Both rings will be available Friday night. One ring will be assigned for single dog head-to-head racing for 5 heats of racing with the EJS system. This is a cage match, no holds barred; two dogs enter one dog leaves event, so to speak. Find your arch nemesis and challenge him or her to a true test of speed. The second ring will also be open without lights for five minutes of training time. The head-to-head ring and training ring will available for \$5.00 each. Registration will begin on site at 5:30pm and is on a first come, first serve basis. Cost is \$5 for 5 runs or \$5 for five minutes of ring time. All participants in single dog will receive a certificate with the dogs times recorded.

Kelly Robbins-Walt Private Lessons:

This year at VLF, Kelly Robbins- Walt will be offering private training sessions after single dog on Friday and after racing on Saturday. She will also be offering team coaching for one team each day. Spots are limited, so please contact Kelly directly for spaces, and for pricing. Her email is jaidaneut2004@yahoo.ca.

Crating:

Ample indoor crating is available for all clubs entered. Tarps are required under all crates/ex-pens. Tape on the floor surface is strictly prohibited. Although we have plenty of space for indoor crating, please be considerate of other clubs when setting up to allow everyone adequate room. If you have any questions about crating space, please see a Revolution Flyball member.

Building & Grounds:

Bags and buckets will be provided throughout the grounds so please be sure and clean up after your dogs.

Overnight camping is permitted but there are no hookups. There will be water available for campers to fill up if needed. There are KOA sites nearby but we do not have information on dog policies, nor can we endorse their sites. If you are planning to bring an RV, please contact Lisa at lisadospassos@gmail.com to reserve space at the building site.

Food:

For your convenience, United Sports Training Center has a full restaurant and concession stand that will be open for breakfast, lunch, and dinner; however it does not open until 9am. The restaurant is under new management so we are unable to give pricing and item availability at this time. USTC is also convenient to business route 30 that offers many popular fast food options. Due to the recent change in management, Saturday dinner is on your own this year.

Games:

Various Las Vegas themed games will be held throughout the weekend. Be sure and check your Welcome Bags for full details of the games available.

Raffle

In keeping with the Las Vegas theme, our raffle has taken on a new look. Come see the wonderful baskets and items on the table. We will have one 2-day raffles. Drawing for the raffle will be Sunday at 2:30pm.

Costs for tickets are:

\$5 for 5 tickets

\$10 for 12 tickets

\$20 spin - # of tickets will be determined by spinning the prize wheel.

Penn Vet Booth

The Penn Vet Booth will again be available for first aid during the tournament. They will have microchipping available for \$20. Dr. Cindy Otto in conjunction with PennVet will again be offering free canine influenza titer testing. The new study is open to both dogs who participated in last years study as well as new dogs. Some information gained from previous testing:

- 1) We know that the incidence of exposure in shelters exceeds 70%
- 2) We know that last year we only had 3/104 dogs test positive - but is it on the increase or is it steady
- 3) Recent testing in vaccinated dogs raises the question of how long the titers last

Consent form and general info can be found prior to the tournament at our website www.revolutionflyballpa.com and as well as onsite during tournament hours.

Project Santa 2010

We wanted to put the word out that we will be collecting for our Christmas project again this season. We are working with a local women's shelter, the Coatesville CYWA, to buy all of the Christmas gifts for all of the children that will be there on Christmas.

Last year the response that we got from our flyball community was overwhelming. Together we covered 170 children!!

This year we will again be collecting donations at the tournament. In true Vegas style, play big, win big, and give BIG! One difference is that we will NOT be collecting actual toys or items; we ask that if you are able to help out that you donate monetarily. This helps us to shop specifically for each child from their wish lists.

Another way to help out would be to take the name of a child or two and shop for them directly. Contact Lisa directly at lisadospassos@gmail.com and she can set that up for you.

Local Veterinary Services

Veterinary Referral Center (610) 647-2950
340 Lancaster Ave. Malvern, PA 19355
<http://www.vetreferral.com/>

Matthew J. Ryan Veterinary Hospital, UPenn (215) 746-8911
<http://www.vet.upenn.edu/RyanHospital.aspx>

Local Emergency Services

Brandywine Hospital 201 Reeceville Road *Coatesville, PA* 19320 (610) 383-8000
www.brandywinehospital.com