



2019 National Sheep Dog Trial Championships

Greg Prince Memorial

*Celebrating 76 years of Sheepdog Trialling in
the Nation's Capital*

Hall Village Showground, Hall ACT
2618

Further info at: www.nationalsheepdogtrials.org



Queens Trophy, John Perry's Boco Raffa, Open Winner 2018



March

11th – 17th

2019

Judges for the Events
Maiden Championship
Ms. Joy Williams,
Mt Nathan, QLD
Open/Improver
Championship
Mr Barry McKenzie,
Koraleigh, NSW

Entry form on Website or
contact Charlie Cover

Entries close:

12th February 2019

(late entries will not be accepted)

Post Entries to:

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2019 National Open Champion

1st \$1200 The Queens Trophy - Portrait of the winning dog by artist Linda Dening.

A framed replica of the Duke of Gloucester Sash

Ross Dodge Memorial Trophy and Greg Prince Memorial Watch

2nd \$1000 and Sash

3rd \$500 and Sash

Entry fee \$20

4th \$300 and Sash

5th \$200 and Sash

6th \$100 and Sash

PLUS Top 20 @ \$ 100

2019 National Improver Champion

1st \$300 and Sash

2nd \$200 and Sash

Entry fee \$10

3rd \$100 and Sash

4th \$100 and Sash

2019 National Maiden Champion

1^{st.} \$700 and Sash

2nd \$500 and Sash

3rd \$300 and Sash

Entry fee \$15

4th \$200 and Sash

5th \$100 and Sash

6th \$100 and Sash

TRIAL INFORMATION

Please read before completing your entry form. There are a number of changes

The **ENTRY FORM** for the 2019 trial will be on the National Sheepdog Trial website, www.nationalsheepdogtrials.org and can be downloaded late Dec 2018. If preferred competitors can receive a paper copy by sending a stamped, self-addressed envelope to.

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- **The 2019 National Sheepdog Trials Championship, due to availability of sheep, will be run as a split trial, each day will begin with the Open/Improver, followed by the Maiden.**

The **National Maiden Championship** is open only to dogs that have not won any 3 sheep type of sheep dog trial up to the closing date of entries (12th February 2019)

Any dog winning or dividing a first prize in any 3 sheep type of sheep dog trial prior to the closing date of entries is deemed to have won a sheep dog trial. Please note that maiden dogs are not eligible for entry into the Improver and Open championships with the following **two** exceptions.

1. Competitors with **no** dogs entered in the Open/Improver Trial **may** enter **one** [1] Maiden dog in the Improver Trial. These dogs will be entered in the first round of the Improver Draw. These dogs may **not be** entered in the National Open Trial.
2. The first **FOUR** [4] dogs in the Maiden Final will be given free entry into the Improver Trial and **may** be entered in the Open Trial. These dogs will be drawn at numbers 9, 10, 11 and 12 in the Improver/Open draw. If entered in the National Open these dogs are eligible for the Top 20.

The **Maiden Final** will comprise the six [6] highest scoring dogs in the first round of the Maiden Championship

The **National Improver Championship** is open to dogs that have not won any type of Improver or higher class of 3 sheep dog trial, up to the closing date of entries, irrespective of wins recorded after that date, with the exception of number 1 above.

The National Improver Championship will be conducted in conjunction with the Open Championship. There will not be a separate run for the improver championship. Improver dogs **may** be enter in the national open championship, and if so are eligible for the **Top 20**. The Improver Final will consist of the four [4] highest scoring Improver dogs in the first round of the Improver Championship.

The National Open Championship. To be decided from the finals, which comprise the six [6] highest combined scoring dogs, from the first round, and **Top Twenty** scores in the **National Open Championship**.

Owners must indicate on the entry form if their dog is the 2018 National, current Supreme Australian, State champion or Commonwealth Champion. These dogs will be last to compete in first round, and will compete for the Champion of Champions prize and sash.

PLEASE NOTE: It may be necessary to alter the timing of the above schedule due to availability of sheep and the number of entries. Any changes will be on the website when the draw is completed.

Veterinary Inspection. There is no veterinary inspection Bitches in season **MAY** be worked.

Trial commentary. It is the intention to have commentary for the public, from time to time, throughout the event, particularly during the finals of all championships.

RULES AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- 1 All dogs must be registered by the state controlling body.
- 2 All handlers must be a financial member of the state working sheepdog association. It is the responsibility of each owner to ensure their dogs are fit and healthy before entering the trial ring. The Judge or the trial manager may terminate the run of a dog if it is considered that the dog or the sheep are injured or stressed. This constitutes disqualification, **IRRESPECTIVE OF THE NUMBER OF POINTS AWARDED BY THE JUDGE.**
- 3 The Judge's decisions are final.
- 4 No entry fee refunds will be made after the close of entry. However, should there be a need for the committee to cancel an entry, the fee will be refunded.
- 5 The committee has the right to instruct the judge to ring dogs off at any time.
- 6 The committee accepts no responsibility for injury, loss or damage to the owner, their property or their dogs.
- 7 Entry fees must accompany entry forms.
- 8 Trial time for each dog, over a 3 obstacle course will be 15 minutes.
- 9 Any dog not in attendance when called upon to compete in the order set out in the draw, **EXCEPT WHEN THE OWNER** is carrying out duties for the NSDTA Canberra Inc., will be scratched and not readmitted to the event being conducted.
- 10 In the case of a tie or any other dispute, all competitors must agree to accept the decision of the Trial sub-committee as final.
- 11 On entering your dogs and signing the entry form, you are agreeing to the rules and conditions of the championships and consenting to abide by the constitution and Rules of the National Sheep Dog Trial Association Canberra Inc. and the decisions of the Committee.
- 12 Competitors should note that under this constitution, the National Association has the authority to refuse future entries from any person whose conduct or comments are deemed detrimental to the National Sheep Dog Trials Association Canberra Inc. or any other sheep dog trials.
- 13 Dogs may not be substituted.
- 14 In the event of a tie in the national open improver or maiden, further runs will be given until a winner is decided.
- 15 There will be a camping fee of \$20 per night with a \$100 maximum per van. Camping may be from Sunday prior to the start and up to the Sunday the trial finishes. If camping please include your estimated time and this may be adjusted if necessary. Camping will **ONLY** be permitted on the area outside the road circling the arena.
- 16 As a courtesy to other trialler's and to ensure the smooth running of the championship, competitors are asked to notify the trial office of any scratching as soon as possible.
- 17 Please contact the trial manager if a dog you have entered in a Maiden (Novice) and Improver trial, wins a trial prior to close of entries.

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2019 PRIZES AND TROPHIES

The Queens Trophy – A portrait of the winning dog by artist Linda Denning. For the winner of the 2019 National Open Championship.

The Duke of Gloucester Sash – a framed replica. For the winner of the 2019 National Open Championship

Ross Dodge Trophy – Donated by the Dodge family for the winner of the 2019 National Open Championship.

The Greg Prince Watch. For the winner of the 2019 National Open Championship.

Champion of Champions \$100 and Sash, for competition between the 2018 National, Current Supreme Australian, Commonwealth and State Champions. Decided on the first round in the National Championship.

Lawrie Tong Memorial \$50 and Sash, for the dog scoring the highest points in the first round of the National Improver Championship.

George Westcott \$50 and Sash, for the dog scoring the most points in the first round of the National Maiden Championship.

National First Time \$50 and Sash, for the highest points scored by a handler competing at the Nationals for the first time, in the first round of either the National Open, Improver and Maiden Championships.

Mellissa Gillard Memorial Shield \$50 and Sash, awarded to the highest scoring competitor in the first round of either the Maiden, Improver or Open Championships working the dog that the competitor has bred and owns.