



A.C.T. Canine Association Inc.

JULY EXTRAVAGANZA GROOMING COMPETITION

Sunday 7 July 2019

Indoors at
Exhibition Park In Canberra (that's EPIC)

Classes

Morning: Terrier Types/Salon Freestyle/Gundog/Asian*

Afternoon: Poodle/Creative*/AOPB

Levels: Novice/Open/Masters

**Creative and Asian open to Open and Masters Only*

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JUDGES

Sharon Hall and Nicky Renwood



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CLASSES & SKILL LEVELS

NOVICE/BEGINNER -Entry Fee \$50 first entry, \$40 for subsequent entry for same groomer

A groomer who has:

- Less than 2 years' full time experience in grooming either in a salon or as show enthusiast for the respective breed.
- Has not won at a grooming competition previously

Note: Grooming experience relates to scissoring, clipping or stripping. Bathing and general care is not considered "Experience" in relation to the Novice classification for this competition.

OPEN –Entry fee \$60 first entry, \$50 subsequent entry for same groomer

A groomer who has:

- Won a Novice Class
- Has more than 2 years' full time experience in grooming either in a salon or as show enthusiast for the respective breed.

MASTERS –Entry Fee \$65 first entry; \$55 Subsequent entry for same groomer

A groomer who has:

- Won in the Open Class or a first place in the Creative Class.
- Certified Master Groomers (CMG) do not have to enter at this level, they may choose open or masters level.
- CMG can enter Open or Masters based on competition history as per placing rule. CMG is a certification and does not denote what level is entered.

SCHEDULE

Session One: Terrier and more/Salon Free Style/Gundog/Asian -2.25hrs

8.00am	Check in set up
8.30am - 8.50am	Pre-judging
9.00am – 11.30am	Start Session
11.30am – 12.15pm	Judging 1 st ,2 nd ,3 rd , Novice, Open, Master
~12pm	Judging -Best In Session
~12.15pm – 1.00pm	Lunch Break and Change-over
Session Two: AOPB/Poodles/Creative -2.25hrs + Spray ups.	
1.00pm – 1.30pm	Pre-judging
1.30 pm – 4.00pm	Start Session
4pm – 4.15pm	Poodles spray ups
4.15pm – 4.30	Judging 1 st , 2 nd ,3 rd Novice ,Open, Masters
4:30	Judging -Best In Session
5.00pm – 5.30pm	Judging Best in Competition Runner up in Competition

Judging Format:

- 1st, 2nd and 3rd for each class (Novice, Open and Masters) within a style is awarded.
eg: Terrier Novice 1/2/3; Terrier Open 1/2/3 and Terrier Masters 1/2/3.
- Class winners then compete for Best In Style
- Best In Style then compete for Best In Session
- Best In Session winners compete for Best in Competition and Runner Up Best in Competition at the end of the day.

NOTE: Times are a guide only. The organisers reserve the right to alter times dependent on number of entries and judging times required. Length of time given to complete grooms/spray-ups will remain as advertised.

HOW TO ENTER

Complete the entry form attached and follow the instructions for submission and payment options

Entries Close Monday 1st July 2019

What do you need to bring?

- Grooming table
- Tagged and tested grooming equipment & product
- Groomers need to supply their own extension leads and power boards, tagged and tested
- The use of cordless equipment is encouraged

**All electrical equipment must be tagged and tested.
This is a legal requirement. A Test and Tag technician will be
available at the venue for this.**

GENERAL INFORMATION

- In fairness to other contestants, contestants who are late will not be allowed to compete.
- All dogs must be on a lead or in a crate. Dogs not participating in the show will not be permitted in the exhibit hall and should be left at home. Contestants will be held responsible for any damage caused by their dog.
- Students under the direct training and/or mentoring of judges are restricted from entering the competition. If you are unsure please ask.
- The ring steward's role is to assist competitors and ensure the competition runs on time and to the rules specified. Please obey any instructions given by them.
- Competitor's clothing and table dressing may not display any logos/business names/personal sponsor names or previous competition success etc. Sponsor grooming jackets may be provided at the request of sponsor.
- Written critiques may not be available
- Photographs of contestants and/or dogs taken by the authorised representative will be used for publication.
- It is your responsibility to clean up after your dog both inside and outside the venue, this includes all clipped hair.
- **Colouring: refer to individual class as to what is permitted.**
- **Any pre-existing colour must be fading out and removed by the end of the groom. i.e. pink ears must be trimmed or shaved to leave no remaining colour. Does not apply to creative.**

PRE-JUDGING INFORMATION

- The judges will examine the dogs prior to the start of the various classes to determine overall cleanliness and the general condition of the coat. At this time dogs with insufficient coat growth, dogs with parasites, or dogs that have been excessively pre-trimmed may be dismissed from the ring or allowed to continue but will not be included in the final judging.
- In a class or competition level where there is less than 3 contestants, those contestants may, at the judge's discretion, be offered a choice of moving up to the next level or down to the next level (provided they are within the criteria for that level).
- Dogs should appear healthy and free of disease and parasites and should show no signs of aggression.
- All dogs must have a minimum of six (6) weeks growth. Adequate coat, therefore, will be defined as follows: the coat must be sufficient to allow the groomer to make a distinct change in the dog's appearance.
- All dogs must be shampooed and brushed, nails clipped, ears cleaned and free from hair and hygiene areas pre-trimmed prior to the class starting. (Please inform the judge with a reason if any of the above cannot be completed).
- Foot pads (underneath feet) may be pre-trimmed, and with Poodles only the entire foot may be clipped.
- Poodle's faces may be trimmed up to three weeks before competition but must be "fuzzy" enough to demonstrate proper line set and clipper expertise. In the Creative Class, only the feet and face may be pre-done.
- Contestants will be required to wear **closed toe shoes and dress appropriately in professional grooming clothing**. Grooming jackets may be worn, however no promotional signage is permitted.

DURING THE COMPETITION

- A toilet break (for all) will be offered through the competition. The break will be chaperoned by the steward(s).
- Contestant toilet breaks may be taken at any time, but the steward(s) must be informed and no extra time will be allowed for grooming (dog must remain in the ring with a replacement handler).
- Placings – The Judge reserves the right to award placing on the merit of the grooms in front of them. i.e. if the judge feels the quality of the groom does not warrant a first place he or she can award a lesser placing or no placing at all.
- All clipping, scissoring, stripping or plucking must be done in the ring during time frame given and not after time is called. No coaching and or comments/discussion from ringside are allowed and may result in the disqualification of the competitor.
- Dogs must not be left unattended.
- A 6"x4" (15cm x 10cm) printed picture without writing is permissible in the contest ring.
- Any injury to a dog, including clipper irritation, cuts or nicks, shall warrant disqualification at the judges' discretion.
- Rough handling of any dog will not be tolerated and may result in immediate disqualification.
- Any dog jumping or falling onto the floor may be disqualified at the judges' discretion but may continue for critique only after the judge has deemed the dog is ok to continue.
- Contestants must not have any conversation with any other person during the competition. If you are finished your time frame respect the competitors that are still grooming and remain quiet.
- All contestants must show sportsmanship towards all competitors, judge, ring steward, and show organisers and any members of the public. No swearing, abuse or behavior considered inappropriate by the judge and/or ring steward will be tolerated. Offenders will immediately be disqualified and prohibited from entering any PIAA competition for a period of 12 months.
- While in the toilet break conversations or coaching about the competition dog is forbidden. General conversation is acceptable.

STRICTLY PROHIBITED

- Electronic devices of any manner - this includes mobile phones, iPads, iWatches & headsets. Beverages NOT in spill proof containers
- There is to be strictly NO coaching by anyone, at any time, during the competition, including toilet breaks and toileting of dogs.
- Consumption of Alcohol in the ring. Any competitor showing signs of being intoxicated or under the influence of drugs may be disqualified.

AT THE END OF THE COMPETITION

- Contestants must stop all grooming procedures, except for combing, at the end of the competition. Sprays or chalk may not be applied after the competition ends, if sprays or chinks are to be used, apply before competition end. Contestants should remove all hair, equipment and products from the grooming table.
- A comb should be placed on the table in front of the dog for the judge to use during the technical evaluation.
- Contestant should stack their dog to present to the judge.
- Contestants may comb their dogs before and after the judge has evaluated their dogs.
- A small amount of grooming spray may be used while waiting to be judged to hold hair in place e.g. hairspray, anti-static spray.

WHAT WILL THE JUDGE BE LOOKING FOR – GENERAL INFORMATION

- Profile of the dog – emphasis on balance, symmetry, on the dogs' profile, style and overall finish.
- Technical use and finish, the quality of the finish when using your equipment such as clipping, scissoring, thinning, hand stripping, plucking and carding.
- The degree of difficulty, this can be based on anything the judge sees from the start to the finished style. For example, correction of faults, coat, type.
- The suitability of the trim and how it conforms to the accepted breed standard and profile.
- The quality of the clipper work: whether the clipped areas have been clipped with the appropriate blade, whether they are neat and smooth, and any clipper lines are straight.
- The quality, uniformity and smoothness of the scissoring and / or thinning.
- On scissored breeds, whether the finish is plush velvet and free of scissor marks, and whether the legs are scissored evenly and of sufficient fullness to balance the dog. Whether the head is properly trimmed and balanced.
- On breeds with eyebrows or falls and beards, whether the trimming is correct and points up the distinctive features, which characterize the breed.
- On spaniels and other sporting breeds, if all other criteria are equal preference will be given to backs that are carded and thinned rather than clipped.
- The overall finished appearance with emphasis on balance, symmetry and the smoothness the originality and execution of the clip and its suitability to the dog's conformation.
- If clippers are used: the quality of work and whether the clipped areas look neat and smooth. If scissors or thinning shears are used: the quality, uniformity and smoothness of the work.
- The overall finished appearance – emphasis on balance, symmetry and smoothness of finish.

TERRIER & MORE CLASSES

Not permitted: Decorative objects, colour sprays, glitter/bows, decorations, accessories, colouring, other than to enhance the natural colour of the dog's coat.

Permitted: Holding sprays (provided the judge can comb through the coat) holding sprays and chalk for the headpiece to achieve breed profile (The judge will take this into account) chalk (provided the chalk does not rub off on the judges' hands in final judging). Sprays, styling gels and chalk are limited to what is usually used in the conformation show ring and they can be used prior and during the time allocated for the grooming comp only.

Grooming techniques permitted: Clipping, snap on combs, scissoring, thinning, and hand stripping (see hand stripping rules to qualify), plucking and carding.

Hand-stripped Dogs: Contestants may use clippers on the heads and ears of certain breeds if they wish, but the body must be hand-stripped or plucked within time limit. Hand stripped dogs must be hand stripped with the appropriate tools or finger and thumb; visible pink or bald patches afterwards is undesirable. The correct technique is to be used to remove hair without causing any pain or discomfort to the dog. Rotated coats on hand-stripped dogs are acceptable; however, the work done in the ring must be sufficient to allow the groomer to make a distinct change in the dog's appearance. Thinning scissors may be used, after required stripping has been performed, to achieve desired shape BUT not to excess.

Under 40.6cms (16")	1 hour 30 mins
Over 40.6cms (16")	2 hours
Under 58.4cms (23")	2 hours for hand strip
Over 58.4cm (23")	2 hours 15 mins

GUNDOG CLASS

Not permitted: decorative objects, colour sprays, glitter/bows, decorations, accessories, colouring, other than to enhance the natural colour of the dog's coat.

Permitted: Holding sprays (provided the judge can comb through the coat) chalk (provided the chalk does not rub off on the judges' hands in final judging). Sprays, styling gels and chalk are limited to what is usually used in the conformation show ring and they can be used prior and during the time allocated for the grooming comp only.

Grooming techniques permitted: clipping, snap on combs, scissoring, thinning, hand stripping (see hand stripping rules to qualify), plucking and carding, flat irons.

Hand-stripped Dogs: Hand stripped dogs must be hand stripped with the appropriate tools or finger and thumb; visible pink or bald patches afterwards is undesirable. The hair must always be removed with the lay of the coat and without pain. Rotated coats on hand-stripped dogs are acceptable; however, the work done in the ring must be sufficient to allow the groomer to make a distinct change in the dog's appearance.

Under 40.6cms (16")	1 hour 30 mins
Over 40.6cms (16")	2 hours
Under 58.4cms (23")	2 hours for hand strip
Over 58.4cms (23")	2 hours 15 mins

ALL OTHER PUREBRED CLASS

Dogs must be groomed to fit breed profile such as what you would see in the confirmation ring. For example, Shih Tzu is to be styled as per the show ring but not as a scissored teddy bear trim or pet Trim (you would enter this in the salon freestyle). All terriers without wire hand stripped coats are to be entered in this class. Non-hand stripped coats i.e. Kerry Blue, Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier, Lagotto Romagnolo, Portuguese Water Dog and Irish Water Spaniel.

Times for Bichon Frise: For a complete hand scissor meaning no snap on combs or blades to be used at all except for the eye area, groin and anus. Time allowed 2 hours regardless of the height of the dog. For all others i.e. snap on combs and blades as well as scissors use the time allowed is 1.45 hours. The judge must be notified of your intentions prior to the start of the completion.

Under 30.4cms (12")	1 hour 30 mins
30.4cms to 58.4cms (12" to 23")	2 hours
Over 58.4cm (23")	2 hours 15 mins

HAND SCISSOR

Bichons

2 hours

Kerry Blue

2 hours 15 mins

Not permitted: Decorative objects, such as bows, beads and glitter are not permitted, except for those permitted in the conformation show ring for the drop coated breed head piece, such as the York-shire Terrier Maltese and Shih Tzu. Colouring, other than to enhance the natural colour of the dog's coat.

Permitted: Holding sprays (provided the judge can comb through the coat), holding sprays and chalk for the headpiece to achieve breed profile (the judge will take this into account), chalk (provided the chalk does not rub off on the judge's hands in final judging). Sprays, styling gels and chalk are limited to what is usually used in the conformation show ring and they can be used prior and during the time allocated for the grooming comp only.

Grooming techniques permitted: Clipping, snap on combs, scissoring, thinning, hand stripping, plucking and carding, flat and curling irons

WHAT WILL THE JUDGE BE LOOKING FOR?

- Groomer's ability to utilize the dogs coat as an artist's canvas for their skill and talent. Trims or patterns must be flattering, as well as creative. Theme may be chosen, and competitors are encouraged to name their creation.
- Placements will be given with the following considerations in mind:
 - The creativity and originality of the trim.
 - The technical work, such as clipping and scissoring, should be smooth and uniform.
 - Eye appeal of the finished trim. The trim must be flattering to the dog.
 - If a theme has been chosen, any props used must reflect the theme.

SALON FREESTYLE

This class is for you to show your salon talent. Salon freestyle class is a free for all class, with the idea of styling your breed NOT in its own breed standard. You may style your Pure Breed to look like a crossbreed or another breed, or you can make your cross breed to look like a Pure Breed. Use a combination or be creative with your teddy trims. For e.g. Poodle styled like a Kerry blue, a Poodle x Maltese styled like a Bichon, or a Bichon styled in a teddy trim – the choice is yours.

Not permitted: Decorative objects, such as bows, beads and glitter are not permitted, except for those permitted in the conformation show ring for the drop coated breed head piece, such as the York-shire Terrier Maltese and Shih Tzu. **No air brushing, pre colouring, full body colour, bleaching or colour lifting permitted. No bright un-natural colours.**

Permitted: Holding sprays (provided the judge can comb through the coat) Holding sprays and chalk for the headpiece to achieve breed profile (The judge will take this into account) chalk (provided the chalk does not rub off on the judges' hands in final judging). Sprays, styling gels and chalk are limited to what is usually used in the conformation show ring and they can be used prior and during the time allocated for the grooming comp only. Colouring with blow pens and chalk is permitted to change and highlight a breed trim that is different to the true breed of dog being used i.e. a white dog can be given a colour to create a traditional pattern and colour in line with the breed standard for the chose breed trim. i.e a dog that is groomed to look like a Wire Fox terrier may be coloured to depict the coat pattern and colour of a Wire Fox Terrier.

Grooming techniques permitted: Clipping, snap on combs, scissoring, thinning, hand stripping, plucking and carding, flat and curling irons

Under 30.4cms (12")

1 hour 30 mins

30.4cms to 58.4cms (12" to 23")

2 hours

Over 58.4cms (23")

2 hours 15 mins

POODLE CLASS

Not permitted: decorative objects, colour sprays, glitter/bows, decorations, accessories, colouring, other than to enhance the natural colour of the dog's coat.

Permitted: Holding sprays (provided the judge can comb through the coat) Holding sprays and chalk for the headpiece to achieve breed profile (the judge will take this into account) chalk (provided the chalk does not rub off on the judge's hands in final judging). Sprays, styling gels and chalk is limited to what is usually used in the conformation show ring and they can be used prior and during the time allocated for the grooming comp only.

Face: to be clipped during the competition

Feet: the entire foot can be clipped before the class.

Topknots: Scissored or banded topknots are permitted. All tie-up headpieces must be banded and completed within the time frame of the competition. The headpiece can be banded prior, BUT the bands will need to be taken out and re banded during the time frame. Moustache or beard is permitted but scissor teddy bear head are not permitted and will need to be entered in Salon Freestyle class.

Under 30.4cms (12")

1 hour 30 mins

30.4cm to 58.4cms (12" to 23")

2 hours

Over 58.4cms (23")

2 hours 15 mins

WHAT WILL THE JUDGE BE LOOKING FOR?

- The suitability of the trim to the dog's confirmation and breed profile.
- The quality of the clipper work.
- Whether the pattern is placed correctly and evenly and clipped with the appropriate blade. Whether the clipped lines are definite and straight, and neatly beveled where they meet the body coat.
- Whether the groomer has used a blade complimentary to the coat (if there is no pattern and the body is clipped overall).
- Whether the feet, face and tail are clipped with the appropriate blade.
- Whether the clipper lines on the face are straight and the clipper work is smooth with no tufts of hair around the lips or eye corners.
- Whether the feet are clipped clean between the toes and the pads.
- The quality, uniformity and smoothness of the scissoring: whether the finish is like that of plush velvet, free or scissor marks. Whether the legs are scissored evenly and are of sufficient fullness to balance the dog. Whether the topknot and tail are properly shaped and in balance to each other. The degree of difficulty of the clip. This does not mean that fancy patterns should necessarily take precedence since scissor trims can be just as difficult with certain coat textures.
- The dog's overall finished appearance with the emphasis on balance, symmetry and smoothness of finish. The trim should hold together when a comb is passed through the coat.

CREATIVE

This class is a highlight of the competition program. Come up with a theme for you and your entry dog. Contestants may use spray glitter, ribbons, or any other finishing touches. Costumes, decorations and cosmetic finishing touches to enhance, but not cover, the design is permitted. All products, decorations or props must be safe for animals and humans. Glues must be water soluble. Hot glue guns are not permitted. Costumes or ornaments must not, in any way, hinder a dog's ability to move, impair vision or hinder free movement of ears. Colour glitter, chalk, decorations and accessories may be used, but must be non-permanent and must not cover the dog to the degree that the groom cannot be examined by the judge.

ONLY THE FACE & FEET OF THE DOG MAY BE PRE-TRIMMED, otherwise all clipping, scissoring and trimming must be done in the ring. Dogs may, however be pre-coloured, if desired. All accessories used in the Creative Class must be humane in nature and non-permanent. PIAA recommend you use – Dyex / Pet Esthe Dog Friendly semi-permanent colours. Please note these colours do last longer than 6-8 weeks on a very porous coat.

Allowable time: 2 hours

ASIAN INFLUENCE

This is a class to show your talents in Asian influenced grooming. Any Pure Breed or Mix Breed can be used. It is different to salon free style and must have the elements of Asian Influence in the styling. It will be judged on scissoring and clipping technique and the overall style and flare that is part of the Asian style of grooming. **Not permitted:** Anything that restricts the dog's movement. Grooming techniques permitted: clipping, snap on combs, scissoring, thinning, hand stripping, plucking and carding, flat and curling irons. **Permitted:** You may use Bows, Bow ties and some clothing however this should not be excessive. Clothing must be able to be removed to show the groom underneath. I.e. the dog is stacked with clothing on them.

Allowable time: 2 hours

Breed

Cavalier King Charles Spaniel
Cesky Terrier
Chesapeake Bay Retriever
Chihuahua All Other
Chihuahua, Long Coat
Chihuahua, Smooth Coat
Chinese Crested
Chinese Crested Powderpuff
Chinese Shar-Pei
Chow Chow
Chow Chow, Rough
Clumber Spaniel
Cocker Spaniel Collie
Collie, Smooth
Curly-Coated Retriever
Dachshund
Dachshund Longhaired
Dachshund Wirehaired
Dalmatian
Dandie Dinmont Terrier
Doberman Pinscher
English Cocker Spaniel
English Foxhound English
Setter
English Springer Spaniel
English Toy Spaniel Field
Spaniel
Finnish Spitz
Flat-Coated Retriever
French Bulldog German
Pinscher German
Shepherd Dog
German Shorthaired Pointer
German Wirehaired Pointer
Giant Schnauzer
Glen of Imaal Terrier
Golden Retriever
Gordon Setter
Great Dane
Great Pyrenees
Greater Swiss Mountain Dog
Greyhound
Harrier
Havanese
Ibizan Hound
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Irish Setter

Classification

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Breed

Saint Bernard
Saluki
Saluki Smooth
Samoyed
Schipperke
Scottish Deerhound
Sealyham Terrier
Shetland Sheepdog
Shiba Inu
Shih Tzu
Siberian Husky
Silky Terrier
Skye Terrier
Smooth Fox Terrier
Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier
Spinone Italiano Staffordshire
Bull Terrier Standard Schnauzer
Sussex Spaniel
Swedish Vallhund
Tibetan Mastiff (DO-KHYI)
Tibetan Spaniel
Tibetan Terrier
Toy Fox Terrier
Vizsla
Weimaraner
Welsh Springer Spaniel
Welsh Terrier
West Highland White Terrier
Whippet
Wire Fox Terrier Wirehaired
Pointing Griffon Yorkshire
Terrier

Classification

All Other Purebreds
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All breed profiles can be downloaded from www.ankc.org.au. It is the discretion of the Dogs ACT to modify these rules and requirements to ensure they meet the needs and requirements of all entrants. If you have any suggestions/inclusions, please don't hesitate to let us know.