

National Specialty 2026

"Canaan Dog Grand Prix"

Cabarrus Arena and Events Center
4751 Highway 49 North
Concord, NC 28025
(If you are using GPS, use Old Airport
Road, Concord, NC 28025)



Tentative Timeline

Wednesday, July 15, 2026:

- RV and exhibitor parking opens – See Host Club Premium for times.
- CDCA Communal Grooming Space (space is shared and not one space per exhibitor) opens for set-up – opens at 6:00 am.
- Welcome Event – 6:00 pm – Keith and Cheryl Shank and Rich and Marianne Vargas' trailers – Location TBD by Site Control.

Thursday, July 16, 2026

- CDCA Silent Auction – 9:00 am – 2:00 pm (for all exhibitors).
- National Specialty (concurrent) and Sweepstakes – Ring TBD, Time TBD – Judges - Sharol Candace Way - Breed Classes and Non-Regular Classes and Junior Showmanship; Sweepstakes and Veteran Sweepstakes - Kimberly Moshlak. Parade of Companions.
- Supported Entry – Columbia Kennel Club, Inc. – Ring TBD, Time TBD. Cluster will be offering Beginner Puppy 4-6 months.

Friday, July 17, 2026

- CDCA Silent Auction – 9:00 am – 2:00 pm (for all exhibitors).
- Parent Specialty (Designated Specialty), Sweepstakes, and Veteran Sweepstakes – Columbia Kennel Club, Inc., Ring TBD, Time TBD – Judge - TBD - Breed Classes and Non-Regular Classes; Sweepstakes and Veteran Sweepstakes – Gregg Kantak. Cluster will be offering Beginner Puppy 4-6 months.
- Judge's Education – Atrium – ½ hour after Best in Show concludes.

Saturday, July 18, 2026

- CDCA Silent Auction – 9:00 am – 2:00 pm (for all exhibitors).
- Supported Entry – Greater Monroe Kennel Club, Inc. – Ring TBD, Time TBD.
- Ringside mentorship for judges – TBD.
- Banquet and CDCA Silent Auction – 7:00 pm - Cabarrus Arena and Events Center Atrium.

Sunday, July 19, 2026

- Supported Entry – Greater Monroe Kennel Club, Inc. – Ring TBD, Time TBD.

Monday, July 20, 2026

- CDCA Herding Instinct Test – 9:00 am (limited run) - Maple Grove Farm, 1886 Bescher Chapel Road, Denton, NC 27239; Evaluator: Vivian Kay Delk (AHBA Licensed Judge).

CDCA Board of Directors Meeting – Location and Time TBD by the Board

CDCA Annual Membership Meeting – Location and Time TBD by the Board