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- aka - *How We Organize A CDCA National Week*

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APPLICATION - CDCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY

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Any regional Canaan Dog club or group of CDCA members, sufficient in number and experience, may submit a proposal for a CDCA National Specialty, Regional Specialty or Supported Entry.

All National Specialties must offer all events on the mandatory list (see below); additional suggested events are listed in three tiers.

Mandatory:

- Conformation (Regular Classes, Non Regular Classes: Stud Dog & Brood Bitch),
- Puppy Sweepstakes,
- Veteran Sweepstakes,
- Junior Showmanship (if stand alone; if with a group or all breed club, they must offer),
- National Owner Handler Series competition (at stand alone events),
- Annual General Meeting,
- Judging Seminar,
- Annual Meeting of the Board of Directors,
- Awards Presentation Dinner.

- A minimum of THREE sets of point must be available among the National Specialty and surrounding shows. As the National Specialty Major Reserve is not a guarantee of points, it will not count towards the three sets of points. Concurrent shows may be considered; evening National Specialties are not encouraged due to their entry limits.

One of the additional shows will be named a Designated Specialty. The National Specialty Chairperson will be allowed to show at the Designated Specialty. However, consideration should be given to interactions with and hospitality for judges, re: the chair as to appearance if the chair does show. It is possible that all such responsibilities will fall under the host club and no conflict will exist.

Suggested – Tier 1:

- Conformation (Non-Regular Classes: Veterans, Brace, Team, AKC Herding Titled Classes, Breeders Class),
- Obedience (Regular Classes: Novice A/B, Open A/B, Utility),
- Rally Obedience (Regular Classes).

Suggested – Tier 2:

- Obedience (Non-Regular Classes and/or Optional Titling Classes),
- Rally (Non-Regular Classes and/or Optional Titling Classes),
- CDCA Herding Instinct Test or AKC Herding Test/Trial,
- AKC Agility Trial (Agility competition would not need to be a stand-alone CDCA event but may be as part of another club's trial).

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Suggested – Tier 3:

- Futurity,
- Educational Seminars,
- Health Clinics,
- Sweepstakes at the Designated Specialty .

Regional Specialties must offer Conformation (Regular Classes) and are strongly encouraged to offer Puppy Sweepstakes. Other events from the Suggested Tiers lists above may be offered as available. Such events do not need to be stand-alone; they will be considered as part of the Regional Specialty if offered at the hosting All-Breed or Group Show.

Supported Entry Applications should include past entry history of majors at this/these shows, or supply supporting documentation explaining why a Supported Entry at this event would pull a major despite previous history.

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Date of Application: _____

Proposal submitted by: _____

Date of Show: _____

Location of Show: _____

Proposed Host Hotel: _____

Number of shows held in conjunction with proposed National/Regional Specialty/Supported Entry:

Please list other events held near or in conjunction with Specialty/Supported Entry (i.e., tests, trials, seminars, other appropriate events of interest at any/all surrounding events) on additional pages.

Show Chair (must be a CDCA Member): _____

Show Superintendent/Secy.: _____

National/Designated/Regional Specialty/Supported Entry Judge(s) (if known): _____

Amount of Entry Fee(s): _____

Committee Members (please list chairs for any events listed above):

Nearest Airport/Major City: _____

Please attach any additional information you feel will show the strength of this proposal (such as location, history of shows in area, strengths of involved CDCA members in organizing such events, for Supported Entries: previous history of majors or why these shows would draw majors, etc.). The CDCA Board of Directors will be available and involved in helping any group who chooses to host a National or Regional Specialty. This application is designed to help the Board make an informed decision. Additional information may be requested before and after a proposal is approved.

Please send this form and any supporting information to the CDCA Recording Secretary – recording-secretary@cdca.org.

Submit proposals for National Specialties at least three (3) years preceding date (i.e., for November 2019, submit by October of 2016). If no applications received, a two year deadline may be considered.

Submit proposals for Regional Specialties or Supported Entries at least thirteen (13) months preceding date (i.e., for November 2018, submit by October of 2017).

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CDCA National Specialty Guidelines - Submitting a Proposal

All proposals to host a Canaan Dog Club of America National Specialty must be submitted to the CDCA Board of Directors three years prior to the year of the requested event; i.e., 2010 for the 2013 Specialty.

A Regional Canaan Dog club or a group of CDCA members, sufficient in number and experience, may submit a proposal. All National Specialties must offer all events on the mandatory list (see application); additional suggested events are listed in three tiers.

Other events from the Suggested Tiers lists above may be offered as available. Some events do not need to be stand-alone; they will be considered as part of the Specialty if offered at the hosting All-Breed or Group Show.

NOTE: The Awards Banquet must follow the last Competitive National Specialty Event (excludes Herding as Herding is not a competitive event). For this reason, it is strongly suggested that the Designated Specialty be no later than Saturday over an event weekend so that all judges from both Specialties may attend.

In addition to the required events, the host group may offer a Parade(s) of Tileholders / Veterans / Rescue Dogs.

The Annual Board Meeting is to take place at least one day before the Specialty begins and must be held before the Annual General Meeting of the CDCA. The Board Meeting should not conflict with any Specialty Activities.

Proposals – before submitting a proposal, thoughts to consider:

- Date. Supported entries in number to allow at least three sets of points available are required (i.e., National Specialty plus at least two additional sets of points).
- Location (city and state). How easy is it to get to the location via car, air.
- Show site facilities. Must be comfortable for dogs and exhibitors.
 - Indoors - is heating/cooling available, if needed?
 - Outdoors - is shade available? Is tenting needed?
 - Restrooms.
 - Parking.
 - Crate area.
 - Grooming area.
 - Chairs.
 - Refreshments.
- Shows before and after the Specialty; do you or someone on the committee have an *established, working relationship*? Do these shows really welcome us? Are they thrilled to have us or are you getting a “whatever” response from them?
 - Are they willing to use our judges?
 - If we hire our own, will they share judge hospitality?
 - Are they willing to give rebates for the large entries the Specialty will generate?

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We will request they divide puppy classes and offer Veteran Classes just for Canaan Dogs.

- Host hotel/motel. Should be large enough to handle everyone. If not, there should be other hotels/motels in the area to handle the overflow.
 - Banquet facilities.
 - Meeting rooms.
 - Hospitality room.
 - Dog exercise area.
 - Grooming area.
- Note: these rooms may be the same location (i.e., one room which can be used for Hospitality, and the meetings, and finally the banquet).
Depending on the show facility, some events/amenities may be available there.
- Accommodations.
 - Area hotels/motels.
 - RV parking and hookups, campgrounds.
 - Restaurants.
 - Airline access.
 - Rental Cars.
 - Sight Seeing.
- Are there any related activities; i.e., eye clinic, seminars, other events, etc. available?
- Specialty Chairperson, Specialty Treasurer (see below). All should be CDCA members in good standing, with ideally the Specialty Chair living near the proposed site. List experience and qualifications of each.
- Committees. Chairmen and members – one person cannot do it all. Who will really work, show up, follow through and follow deadlines.
- Budget. CDCA Nationals should aim to be a net \$0 cost to the club, or as close to as possible.

If more than one proposal is received for any given year, the Board shall review the proposals and make a decision. The strength of the proposals, experience of the committee, and location of previous National Specialties shall be used to make this decision.

Those contemplating submitting proposals to host a CDCA National Specialty need to remember that Specialties are NOT an Olympic sport. Specialty committees should not feel they must always outdo one another. Every Specialty has something special and memorable about it. Those serving on committees should be able to enjoy themselves, as well as work.

To this end, it is recommended that official National Specialty Events be limited to one in each category i.e., one National Specialty rally trial, one National Specialty obedience trial, etc.

Date Selection:

We do have a number of club members and fanciers who are Jewish. Events between Friday sundown and Saturday sundown may not be attended by some of our members/fanciers. Similarly, check the Jewish Holidays to weigh any possible conflicts. Adjustments may be made (see 2016 schedule); but it is best to be aware of these potential issues before you get too far into the planning process. Such issues will not be the deciding portion for a proposal, but should be part of this process.

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Specialty Committees

These are suggestions only, as each Specialty is unique and each host group will encounter different situations and needs. Some committees may be combined or some individuals may chair more than one committee. Due to the size of the club, "Chair" may be a more grandiose word than needed. However, the list below all have tasks associated with them, and before undertaking a Specialty, the committee should agree who is to do which task. This way, less is likely to slip through the cracks nor shall multiple people be working on the same project thinking they are the only one doing a task.

I.E., the following is a partial list of tasks/jobs that will need a go-to person. One person can do many of these tasks, but not all of them:

Specialty Chairperson	Obedience/Rally
Specialty Treasurer	Premium List
Ring Stewards	Emergency Care
Publicity	Hospitality/Welcome Party & Welcome Bags
Meetings	Grounds/Equipment
Catalogs	Photographer/Videographer
Judges Hospitality	Auction
Additional Activities	Fund Raising
Vendors	Trophies (including Ringside Presenter who will be ringside daily)

- Specialty Chairperson. Should be someone familiar with dog show and performance event procedures and the workings of the AKC. Will have overall responsibility in overseeing that all events are successfully run in combination with the show event. Should have good organizational skills. To be approved by CDCA Board. Should download copy of "AKC Show Manual" and follow closely (available on akc.org at no charge). Post Specialty follow up is expected and required.
- Specialty Treasurer. This maybe the current CDCA Treasurer if they agree to take on these additional responsibilities. Responsible for all finances pertaining to the Specialty; i.e., money received through fund raising, trophy donations, etc., as well as paying bills. Should be a detail oriented individual with some accounting experience, as incoming funds will need to be categorized and distinguished from one another; i.e., funds received from CDCA, trophy donations, host club fund raising, etc. To be approved by CDCA Board
- Obedience and/or Rally Chairperson. Should be experienced in exhibiting and/or stewarding in Obedience Trials and familiar with AKC's "Obedience Regulations".
- Trophy Committee. Determine trophies required for the Specialties, as well as supported shows before and after Specialty. Will need to be available to be a Ringside Presenter, or find someone else who can do this job. This is a daily job: the Ringside Presenter will need be ringside daily to manage our trophies. Ideally, this person will not need to be in the ring or performing other tasks during judging.
- Publicity Committee. Social Media and CDCA eList/Kib liaison – will submit articles to The Kib and other Canaan Dog publications promoting the Specialty. Use on-line groups (such as CDCA email group) as well as other social media (CDCA & Canaan Dog Facebook pages, etc).

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- Hospitality Committee.
Judge Hospitality/Liaison: PLEASE NOTE: According to AKC guidelines, individuals having direct contact with the judge prior to the show CANNOT enter a dog under that judge. CDCA does not allow our NS Chair to show at the NS either. (They can show at the DS if Judge Hospitality/Contact is under the umbrella of the host club.) Discuss BEFORE planning starts who will be judge contact so CDCA & AKC rules can be followed.
Attendee Hospitality: including but not limited to Welcome Party/Welcome Materials, Meals/Banquet, other get-togethers outside of show events, etc. (The CDCA Room Responsibility Policy must be included in any Specialty information packets mailed to/put online for members and include in the hospitality packets distributed at the Specialty.)
- Meetings Coordinator. Arrange for room, equipment and any food/refreshments for Board & Annual General Meeting, as well as Banquet night.
- Grounds/Equipment Committee. Hotel – dog exercise areas; grooming areas; Show – rings, shade, crating/grooming area, PA, etc. Liaise with Cluster as appropriate.
- Premium List. There are numerous AKC policies and rules concerning what must and what may not appear in this document. The individual responsible for typing the Premium List copy must make it a point to become familiar with these policies and rules. Previous Specialty Premium Lists can be helpful references. When returned by the Superintendent, it must be carefully proofed. The CDCA Room Responsibility Policy must be included in the Premium List. It must also be included in the Specialty information packets mailed to members and the hospitality packets distributed at the Specialty.
- Catalog Advertising and Sales.
- Show Photographer and Videographer. Engage show photographer. Considering engaging show videographer and/or ringside candid photographer. Follow guidelines that have been established by the AKC re video/candid photos. May be able to work with cluster for same person/people.
- Judges:
Breed Judge. See later in document. The judge needs to be made aware of special trophies; i.e., AOMs and Best Puppy, etc.. This should be done in writing when the invitation to judge is extended.
Sweepstakes Judge. If there are no nominees for Sweepstakes judge, the host group will recommend the judge subject to approval of the Board.
Obedience/Rally/Junior Showmanship: to be discussed and agreed upon with judge and CDCA NS Liaisons, and approved by CDCA BOD.
- Chief Ring Steward. Responsible for securing and assignment of competent people as stewards. Should be well versed in ring procedure and etiquette.
- Auction & 50/50 Raffle Committee. Auctions are strongly recommended as they can be the best fundraiser to produce a specialty in the black.
- Additional Activities. The host group may offer additional activities if they wish; i.e., microchip clinic, CGC/Trick Dog testing, eye clinic, seminars, etc. Host group must provide insurance for the activity unless otherwise arranged to be under the CDCA umbrella.
- Future Specialty Fund Raising. A group which has been approved to host a future Specialty may sponsor a vendor's booth at preceding Specialties, subject to conditions.
- Vendors. Vendors may be available at Specialties at the discretion of the host group, subject to conditions.

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- Emergency Care. The AKC has established a policy for all licensed and member events held on or after January 1, 1999. It is responsibility of the Show Chairperson to confirm that these are the most up-to-date AKC requirements.
- Herding Instinct Test. Currently the Herding Instinct Test are organized and chaired by Denise Gordon. A protocol for such tests has been requested from Denise. Denise will coordinate with the host group in regards to issues such as location, scheduling, publicity and more.
- Agility Trial: Due to the current size of CDCA National Specialties, independent agility trials are not currently viable. Dan & Julie Haddy have been coordinating the trials the club is offering twice a year and may be used a resource for agility questions only. It is more likely that agility at the CDCA NS will be offered by a local group with trophies offered for Caneaan Dogs by the CDCA.

Superintendent:

After multiple frustrating years, we **cannot** recommend the club work with any cluster that uses Onofrio as their superintendent. They are unreliable for working with us, do not interact with the club or clusters, lose materials sent to them, and more.

A good superintendent will work with the club on ring times (late morning, early afternoon), acknowledge correspondence promptly, ask for club materials in a timely manner (logo, officers, etc.), understand and allow for extra judging time, work with the club on rosettes (club supplied or produced by the superintendent to match entries), and so much more.

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Keys to Success

- Teamwork. A successful Event Committee must work as a team. Infighting and feuding is the death of a Committee and may prevent fanciers in an area from enjoying and participating in AKC events. The purpose of the Committee is to serve the best interests of the breed.
- Welcome New Members. It is extremely important to bring newcomers into the group. Typically people are involved in dog club activities for a period of five years or less, so new members (some of whom will stick it out for the “duration”) are the future of the fancy. Bring new people in and make them feel welcome. Give them responsibilities and help them get things done. An Event Committee is also a social group, so keep it fun!
- *Delegation!* No one person or “select few” can do everything for the committee. The most successful committees rotate duties and positions so that everyone has a turn at different jobs. **Offer help, not criticism.** We are all volunteers!
- Ask for help. A CDCA National Specialty Board Liaison will be assigned to help you make AKC & other deadlines, answer questions and more. Most CDCA members will be happy to help you if asked. The members of the CDCA Board are elected to help you. Make use of your area’s CDCA Board Member. Keep in mind that Board members are not paid for their work for the club and have a lot of responsibility. Use this resource wisely.
- Understand your budget. The CDCA would love to offer all events at every CDCA National Specialty. Unfortunately, that is not always economically possible. Only Mandatory events are required at a National Specialty. Be honest with yourselves when considering what size entry you are likely to draw and what your income and expenses might be. Plan events – mandatory and fun – in order to allow for the extras and always prepare for the worst case scenario!
- Have fun. This is a hobby. It is supposed to be fun. Now & then step back and take a deep breath. Bring a sense of humor!

MISC. THOUGHTS ON HOSTING THE NATIONAL SPECIALTY

- A theme is optional and left up to the Host committee. A Specialty Logo is a nice touch.
- The local Chamber of Commerce should be contacted for area information, maps, etc.
- It is recommended that the upcoming National Specialty Chair and/or members of the Host committee attend the National Specialty the year before so they can see firsthand what is needed and how to solve any problems which may arise.
- Independent specialties (vs ones at all breed) – Veteran classes – wording can allow neutered/spayed in Non-Regular Class Veterans.
- Can do “special events” such as a pinned “Spayed/Neutered” Class(es) w AKC and permission of the judge if we want to encourage non-show folks to come out. Consider rosettes for all these entrants.
- Fun, interesting classes to consider :a). Breeders Class (see AKC rules about this – similar but different to stud dog/brood bitch) b) Generations class – like an “extended stud dog/brood bitch class.
- When Logo Items are offered at Supported Entries (2006 decision): If a logo is used on trophies at Supported Entries, the CDCA logo must be the one used.
- National Specialty Rotation: As per the CDCA Board, National Specialties are no longer by tied to a region-wide rotation but instead be selected based on proposals received. (2006 decision)

Judges' Education

The CDCA Judges' Education Coordinator shall be responsible for representing CDCA in educating current and prospective conformation judges of Canaan Dogs. The Coordinator shall be the chairperson of the Judges' Education Committee, or their appointee.

Note: Observer judges are not permitted at the National Specialty.

The Chair of the JEC, or their appointee, will work with the Specialty Committee to offer a seminar, ringside mentoring, and hands-on opportunities, and/or other educational events for aspiring judges.

Additional information is available from the AKC Judges' Education Department. Realizing that AKC's guidelines for judges' education may be revised periodically, the Judges' Education Coordinator must establish an ongoing relationship with this department and keep the membership informed of the direction of judges' education.

ROOM RESPONSIBILITY POLICY

The Canaan Dog Club of America, Inc. has adopted the following rules in order to insure that its members and their dogs will be welcome at hotels/campgrounds in the future.

Any individual attending a CDCA sanctioned event and staying in a hotel, motel, inn or campsite/fairgrounds has the responsibility of leaving that room or campsite exactly as found. This includes picking up after dog(s) on the grounds. Anyone who damages a room or campsite/fairground and does not report the damage to the hotel/campsite/fairground management, and make immediate restitution or arrangements to do so within a period of time agreed upon by the management, will be subject to any or all for the following actions by the CDCA Board of Directors:

- 1 May be banned from showing at the next CDCA Sanctioned event(s).
- 2 May be subject to AKC sanctions.
- 3 Membership in the CDCA may be terminated and may not be allowed to be reinstated.

Damage shall be defined as:

- 1 Flea infestation, urine, defecation and/or any damage to hotel/campsite/fairground property (wall, bedspreads, carpets, drapes, etc.).
- 2 Any verified complaint by the host hotel/campsite/fairground.
- 3 Any verified complaint by a CDCA Member.

CDCA Room Regulations:

- 1 All dogs shall be crated and quiet when left alone in a room. Noisy dogs shall be quieted upon request, even if this means the owner/handler must stay in the room with dog.
- 2 Individuals will be expected to immediately report any damage by dogs or themselves to the hotel/campsite/fairground management, and to assume complete financial responsibility for those damages.
- 3 No bathing or grooming will be allowed in rooms. A grooming room will be available whenever possible.
- 4 Dogs are to be allowed only on hotel furniture/beds ONLY if the furniture is covered with protected covering provided by the owner/handler.
- 5 All owners/handlers will take preventive measures to assure that their dogs are free of fleas, mites, intestinal parasites and other communicable diseases prior to their arriving at the hotel/campsite.
- 6 Protective sheeting shall be placed under all crates in hotels. (Whenever possible, such sheeting will be provided by the host group and will be given to the hotel to dispense at the time of check-in.)

THIS POLICY WILL BE INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL SPECIALTY GUIDELINES AND BE REQUIRED TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PREMIUM LIST WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT SIGNING THE ENTRY FORM ALSO INSURES COMPLIANCE WITH THIS POLICY. THE POLICY WILL ALSO BE INCLUDED IN THE SPECIALTY PACKET MAILED TO MEMBERS AND WILL BE DISTRIBUTED WITH SPECIALTY HOSPITALITY PACKETS. ALL INDIVIDUALS ARE REQUIRED TO COMPLY.

THIS POLICY WILL BE INCLUDED IN INFORMATION OR PREMIUM LISTS FOR ANY CDCA SPONSORED EVENT (SUPPORTED ENTRIES, REGIONAL SPECIALTIES, AGILITY OR HERDING

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TESTS/TRIALS, ETC.), WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT SIGNING THE ENTRY FORM OR REGISTERING FOR THE EVENT ALSO INSURES COMPLIANCE WITH THIS POLICY.

Copies of this policy shall also be given to any hotels/campsites/fairgrounds listed in CDCA event information and it is suggested that those hotels/campsites/fairgrounds post this notice.

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Helpful Publications

A complete list of publications our members might find useful would be longer than this entire manual but we do recommend that you acquaint yourself with the following publications. Since prices for these publications change, check with the source for current pricing.

Many of the following publications are available from AKC online or free in single copy. Others are available at a nominal charge. Consult customer service at AKC for ordering information. Please refer to the section on specialties for publications that AKC requires event-giving groups have available at their show/obedience trial.

The BIBLE: AKC SHOW/TRIAL MANUAL. Updated periodically.

- Dealing with Misconduct. Published by AKC. Updated periodically. You must have a copy of this publication at any AKC event hosted by CDCA.
- Dog Show & Obedience Trial Judges. Published annually by AKC this publication lists all provisional and fully approved conformation and obedience judges with their judge's number, address and phone. Available at akc.org.
- Obedience Regulations and Guidelines for Judges. Published by AKC. Updated regularly. Be sure to have a copy of this available if you will be holding an obedience trial.
- Rules Applying To Registration. Published by AKC. Covers registration matters such as contracts, leasing a bitch, regulations for record keeping and identification of dogs. What to do in the event of the death of an owner, etc.
- Rules Applying to Dog Shows. Published by AKC. Updated regularly. Be sure to have a copy of this publication at Specialty shows.
- Rules Applying to Registration and Discipline. Published by AKC. Updated periodically. Must be available at specialties/obedience trials.
- Judges Guidelines and Guidelines for Juniors. Must be available at specialty shows.

A hired show supt. or show secretary should have these publications available, but the club is ultimately responsible to ensure mandatory publications are onsite.

On CDCA.org

- Standard & Description of the Canaan Dog (Breed Standard)

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JUDGE SELECTION FOR NATIONAL SPECIALTY

Starting with the 2020 Specialty, and continuing for three years, the National & Designated Specialty Breed judge come from the Club voting conducted in 2018. In 2019 the club agreed to alternate the breeder-judges and non-breeder-judges. The National Specialty Liaisons will help the Specialty Committee with which judge is to be asked for which event.

The CDCA Preferred Judge List from this 2018 voting will be made available to the host club for shows before or after the National. It is hoped those clubs will work with us for judges on our list for these shows.

The selected judges will be asked not to judge Canaan Dogs in a sanctioned AKC Conformation or Sweepstakes 6 months prior to the Specialty that they are to judge. Judging matches is acceptable. We understand judges may already have assignments during this window; we will respectfully ask they attempt to get these breed assignments changed. We will not ask for them to change Group and higher level assignments.

Once a Judge has judged a National, they will not be used for a CDCA National for five years.

The CDCA Board may elect to bring in additional judge(s) for these events at the CDCA's expense should the shows before or after the National be unable or unwilling to procure judges with experience and understanding of Canaan Dogs (i.e., those on our Preferred Judge list).

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SELECTION OF SWEEPSTAKES JUDGE

Nominations of individuals to judge the Puppy and Veterans Sweepstakes Classes at the CDCA National Specialty shall be made by the membership to the Specialty Show Committee who shall share these recommendations with the Board. The Sweepstakes judge shall be approved by the Board before a contract is completed.

The nominee must be in good standing with the AKC, but need not be an AKC Judge. Once a Judge has judged a National, they will not be used for a CDCA National or Sweepstakes for five years; once they have judged Sweepstakes, they will not be used for a CDCA National or Sweepstakes for three years.

The selected judge will be asked not to judge Canaan Dogs in a sanctioned AKC Conformation or Sweepstakes 6 months prior to the Specialty that they are to judge. Judging matches is acceptable.

The selected judge cannot exhibit in any classes at the Specialty, but may do so at shows preceding and following the Specialty.

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SCHEDULE:

The following schedule has worked well for the past couple of years (2016 – 2019). However, the BOD should be contacted during the scheduling process to confirm the best date for *that* BOD for their meeting.

Day 1: Evening Board Meeting

Dinner provided

After check in time for hotel so BOD members may arrive on that day

Day 2:

AM: Herding or Education or other dog event (Farm Dog testing, etc.)

Any event that could be a money maker could be opened up to breeds other than CDs;
first priority to CD entries

(Also allows for BOD to be continued if needed)

afternoon/PM: AGM

AGM ideally scheduled for after check in time for hotel

evening: Welcome Party/Hospitality

Day 3:

first AM: Judges Education Seminar

at least 2 hours later: National Specialty with Sweepstakes (Puppy & Veteran)

Judges Education Ringside Mentoring

30 minutes after completion of National: Judges Education Hands On

Day 4-?:

Supported Entries and Designated Specialty (with Puppy & Veteran Sweepstakes)

DS could be day after National, or on the weekend – work with the BOD and local
cluster for best scheduling

Additional Judges Ed opportunity during these days – coordinate with JEC

Day TBA

evening: Annual Awards Banquet & Auctions (after both National and Designated
Specialties)

Day LAST:

AM: Herding if not held on Day 2

Containing all events in one calendar week can help increase attendance at all events; those schedules that straddle a weekend will have lower attendance at those dates farther from the weekend.