

**Welcome to the
Flying Colors Rising Stars
NAFA® Region 6/16 Tournaments!**

June 24 and 25, 2017
Rising Star Sports Ranch, 333 N. Sandhill Blvd.
Mesquite, Nevada 89027
(702) 346-5678
www.risingstarsportsranch.com

Venue

The Rising Star Sports Ranch is right off I-15, exit 122. It's brand new and we are their first dog sport event!

The racing will be in the Rising Star's 30,000 square foot air conditioned Field House facility.

Crating

Crating is in the first third of the Field House. This part of the building will be set up with astroturf, while the other two thirds of the building, where we will be setting up the racing lanes, is hardwood gymnasium flooring. You can (and should) bring your gear in and out of the building without going on the hardwood basketball floors.

The Field House will open for crating set up starting at 4PM Friday June 23rd.

Please unload and enter from the east side of the Field House. Coming in from this side, the first thing you will see is the astroturf. This will let you bring your gear into the building without hauling any of it across the wood floors.

We are not assigning crating space, with this exception: If you have a teammate with an ADA issue, email us (addresses below). The spaces closest to the doors and the racing lanes will be assigned to the team(s) that need accommodation.

NOTE: *Bring tarps to protect the astoturf your crating area occupies. You can have as much space as you want so long as your tarp completely covers the area you are on. The area you choose should adjoin the rubberized walkways that surround the astroturf field or the tarp walkways we plan to lay down to minimize traffic and accidents directly on the astroturf.*

Racing Areas

We have one racing ring. It will be fully matted with additional mats and tarps laid out for storage of the boxes between racing. Please stay on the rubberized walkways around the ring or the mats coming in and out of the racing ring with boxes and gear.

Bleachers will be set up by the rings for people to watch—there's a fair amount of local *interest so it should be fun!*

Mat Time Friday Night

We are offering mat time on Friday night, June 23, beginning at 5:30 PM. Mat time is first come/first serve with sign ups starting at 4:30 PM by the ring. Cost is \$10/10 minutes per lane, or \$20 for the ring for 10 minutes.

Food and Drink

Rising Star asks that we not bring outside vendor food into the crating and racing areas. They will be selling food, including box lunches at reasonable prices, out of their restaurant, bar, and concession stand. The Field House has drinking fountains so you don't need to bring in water.

Raffle

We will have a raffle for Sunday with some really cool stuff!

Judges

Karl Ruetz is our head judge, joined by NAFA® supervising judge Stephanie Doerr.

Schedule

Racing starts at 8:30 am both Saturday and Sunday

Crating and racing rooms open at 6:30 am both Saturday and Sunday

Measuring: 7:30 – 8:00 am each day

Box check: 8:10 – 8:30 am each day

Captains' Meeting: 8:25 am each day

Two minute warm-ups unless changed by head judge.

Awards Ceremony

We will have an awards ceremony Saturday after racing, but not Sunday, so plan on sticking around Saturday after racing.

Race Formats/Placement

On Saturday, racing is in round robin format, either 3/3, 4/4 or 5/5 depending on division. A point is awarded for each heat won. If a heat produces a tie, the tie will be broken by the team that has the fastest time of the race, tied time and break-outs excluded. The points earned for heats won determine division placements in round robin format.

On Sunday, racing for most divisions will be in 3/5 format. Max of 5 heats per race. Ties are rare in that format (each team has won two heats but one heat is a tie) but if they occur, they will be decided by the team that has the fastest time of the race, tied time and break-outs excluded. A point is awarded for each race won. The points earned for races won determine division placements in the 3/5 format. The exception is Open Division 1 which is in a 3/3 format. This division will be awarded a point for each heat won.

Division placement ties will be broken by the tied teams' fastest times of the day, break-outs excluded. In the unlikely event there remains a tie, it will be determined by coin toss for a two-way tie and by a card draw for a 3 way or higher tie.

Regional Info

For purposes of determining regional championship points, this is a dual region sanctioned tournament (Regions 6 and 16). Dave Gillett (region 6) will be the attending Regional Director and will represent Candis Amasalian (region 16) as well.

Scoring

We will be scoring the tournament as we go. If you notice any discrepancies, please let the head table know so we can correct the errors right away.

Flyball Geek

To track the racing we'll be running flyball geek. You can load this onto your cell phones by going to <http://flyballgeek.com> in any web browser. Click the "Race Link" for "Rising Star - Saturday" or "Rising Star - Sunday".

Box and Line Judging

We need your help with box and line judging. Please leave your box loader or designee to box-judge the next race. If you see a vacant line judge chair, fill it if you can.

Animal Care

Las Vegas is 80 miles to the south. In the event of a serious animal emergency, the Las Vegas Veterinary Emergency and Critical Care Center, 8650 W. Tropicana Ave., Las Vegas, NV 89147 (702) 262-7070, is open 24 hours a day. St George is 39 miles to the north. The Southwest Animal Emergency Clinic, 1067 E. Tabernacle #1, St George, UT (435) 673-3191 is available there 24 hours a day.

Vendors

Running Dog Designs, Crate Pads and More will be set up in the main racing room each day and sells custom crate pads, leashes, tugs and more. Tiffany will be there with her equipment and can custom make items for you right there!

*We are grateful for this venue and hope to keep hosting here.
Be cool and stick to the designated areas for pottying your dogs, and pick up after them!
Also, do not leave your dog in your car, even for a minute - It is too hot for them this time of year.*

If you have questions or concerns, please come and see Kris Pickering or Billy Coleman or email us at captainmirk@aol.com or billymax@q.com