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Dude Ranch Pet Resort

11015 Dude Ranch Rd.
Glen Allen, VA 23059



**APDT SANCTIONED
RALLY-OBEDIENCE TRIALS***

Saturday
December 10, 2011

Dude Ranch Pet Resort
Glen Allen, VA

Open to all dogs of any breed (including mixed!)

*This is a titling event under
APDT Rally-O rules and regulations.
www.apdt.com/rally

Saturday, December 10TH, 2011

Puppy, Level 1 and Level 2

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Judge: Rhea McCaffrey

A judge's briefing and walk-through will precede each trial
75 Entries per Trial

Pre-ENTRIES CLOSE ON WEDNESDAY, November 30TH, 2011



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NOTICE TO COMPETITORS: Competitors, through submission of entry, acknowledge that they are knowledgeable of APDT Rally Obedience rules and regulations including but not limited to the following rules regarding entry:

- ◆ This trial is open to all dogs being at least six months of age, including purebred and non-purebred, except bitches in season or dogs with disabilities, injuries or illnesses which may cause the dog pain or great discomfort, or dogs exhibiting signs of aggression that threaten the safety of other dogs or humans.
- ◆ All dogs must be registered with APDT Rally to compete. A one-time registration form is included and must be submitted DIRECTLY to the Rally-O Coordinator (NOT to trial hosting organization) prior to the date that a team first enters a sanctioned trial. Dogs must be shown by a member of the owner's immediate family: mother, father, spouse, life partner, sibling, child, grandparent, or grandchild.
- ◆ Safety shall always be of foremost consideration in actions and conduct by handlers at all times. Handlers, through entry at this event, accept full responsibility for themselves and the actions of their dogs.
- ◆ The organizing committee may refuse any entry for any reason.

In addition,
◆ THERE SHALL BE NO REFUND for entries withdrawn after the closing date or in the event a dog and/or handler are dismissed from competition, regardless of reason for such dismissal. There will be no refunds if the trial has to be cancelled for any reason.

◆ Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry. There will be a \$25.00 service charge for returned checks. Payment of entry fees and service charges shall be made in cash or money order within 30 days of postmark of notice of returned check where notification is received after event date. Any fees not received within 30 days of notice result in cancellation of event results for all classes for the registration number(s) of delinquent entry/entries. No reinstatement of results is possible, and all awards must be returned within 10 days of notification, or the dog's registration may be suspended pending restitution. Any unpaid fees or shortfalls must be paid prior to the start of the event or entry is cancelled without recourse by owner/handler.

No entry fees will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, Act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, strike or any other cause beyond the control of the organizers.

◆ All dogs shall be shown in a flat buckle or snap collar, plain harness, or properly fitted martingale (limited slip) collar. No choke collar, prong collars, shock collars, no-pull harnesses, martingale leads, or head collars are allowed.

All competitors through entry at this event waive any and all rights relative to video broadcast of this event. Competitors shall have the right to videotape portions of this event for their personal use only. No portion of this event may be videotaped for commercial or other purposes. All video, broadcast, and telecast rights for this event are the exclusive property of the APDT or the trial host(s).

◆ Owners with disabilities are encouraged to compete. Any necessary modifications to the exercises must be provided by the handler to the judge and approved by the judge.

◆ Upon successful completion of an exercise, the owner may choose to briefly pet or touch the dog as a reward. The owner may also choose to give the dog food as a reward. Food may NOT be used as a lure to help the dog complete an exercise. Food rewards must be contained in pockets or hidden treat pouches and only be present in the owner's hand in between exercises. Any petting, touching, or feeding that significantly interrupts the flow of performance shall be scored accordingly.

◆ Exhibitors that plan to use food as a reward in the ring must indicate that on entry forms. All teams NOT using food shall be scheduled to compete before those using food. Dogs must remain under control at all times whether on or off leash while on show grounds. Limited crating space, indoors, is available on a first-come; first serve basis. No guarantees of space availability is given nor should it be construed based on entries. All crating, personal equipment, chairs, etc. must be in good condition and are to be used at your own risk and responsibility. You will be held liable for any/all damage to the facility, not limited to the flooring. PLASTIC SHEETING or RUBBER FOOTING must be utilized under all equipment legs.

◆ Please pick up after your dog and yourself.

◆ This event will be held indoors on advanced hi-technology rubber flooring in a 5,000+ sq ft fully airconditioned performance hall.

APDT's official Rally-O Rules and Regulations are hereby incorporated by reference, a copy of which may be obtained by going to www.APDT.com/rally/rules.

ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Edmond Blausten
Secretary: Leann Harris
Scorer's Table: Krista Horstman
Chief Course Builder: Ann Priddy
Awards & Hospitality: Toshiko Blausten

CONTACT INFORMATION

Do not hesitate to call, text, or e-mail us if you have any questions:
(804) 798-7900 or apdt@duderanchpetresort.com

ENTRIES AND CLOSING DATE

Entries for these trials will be accepted beginning immediately and pre-event entries must be received no later than Wednesday, November 30th. Entries on the day of the Trial MAY BE ACCEPTED if space permits.

FACILITY, CHECK-IN, BRIEFINGS, AND WALK-THROUGHS

Doors open at 8:00 AM. Check in at any time prior to your scheduled trial. Due to the specialized flooring ALL CRATING and ALL CHAIRS BROUGHT must be placed on plastic to prevent damage to the floors. NO EXCEPTIONS will be allowed.

Saturday, December 10th	
#1 - Puppy, Level 1, Level 2	Judge's briefing 20 min. prior to each trial's start.
#2 - Puppy, Level 1, Level 2	
Trial 1 begins at 9:00am. Trial 2 begins at 12:00pm.	
<i>There WILL BE A BREAK between the two trials! Plan Accordingly.</i>	
FOOD AND BEVERAGES	
Complimentary Continental Breakfast (coffee, etc.) for exhibitors will be provided by the <i>Dude Ranch</i> from 8:00am to 10:00am. Purchase Box-Lunch on site. Soda/Water Vending also available on site.	

AWARDS

Immediately following each trial, qualifying ribbons will be awarded to each dog/owner team who achieves a score of 170 or better. Championship Ribbons will also be available for teams that complete their tenth qualifying score at the trial. Placement ribbons will be awarded to the top 5 high scoring teams at each level.

NOTICE REGARDING YOUR RALLY REGISTRATION NUMBER

Please be aware that you must apply for and receive your Rally registration number before you can enter any APDT Sanctioned Trial. The APDT asks that you allow 2-4 weeks for processing.

When completing the APDT's Dog Registration Application, please note that if you provide an email address, your registration number will be emailed to you. If you do not to provide an email address, they will send a letter to your physical street address. You may want to add rally@apdt.com to your address book so that your email service will not treat the response as junk mail.

If you have lost your number, you must complete an Administrative Research Request form, available at www.apdt.com, or alternatively, email_rally@apdt.com. However, if you participated in any of our previous trials, we can look up your number for you!

This Rally-O titling event will allow competitors a chance to earn legs or points toward Rally-O titles. Our feedback has been extremely positive for this relatively new competition obedience venue – especially from traditional obedience trainers. APDT Rally allows all breeds and mixed breeds to compete and is committed to encouraging positive training methods. The APDT is an organization for professional dog trainers with 2500 members currently. It was founded in 1993 with the mission of enhancing the human-dog relationship by educating trainers, other animal professionals and the public and advocating dog-friendly training.

Go to www.APDT.com/rally for more information.

MOTELS

This list is illustrative of the motels available in the area and their pet-policy as we understand it. Please check with the hotel to confirm.

**Directions to The Dude Ranch Academy
at The Dude Ranch Pet Resort**

FROM THE NORTH, SOUTH or EAST
Get onto I-91 going towards Richmond, VA.
Take Exit #148 onto I-395 WEST.
Follow Below ...
Once on I-395:
Take Exit #48A (Rt. 11 North)
Go 1.4 miles.
TURN LEFT on Gordon's Lane (Rt. 790) - and then
TURN LEFT on Dude Ranch Rd.
Continue to the VERY END.

FROM THE SOUTH, EAST or WEST
Get onto I-64 going EAST
Take Exit #138 onto I-395 EAST
Follow Below ...
Once on I-395:
Take Exit #48A (Rt. 11 North)
Go 1.4 miles.
TURN LEFT on Gordon's Lane (Rt. 790) - and then
TURN LEFT on Dude Ranch Rd.
Continue to the VERY END.

ADDRESS:
The Dude Ranch Pet Resort
11015 Dude Ranch Road, Glen Allen, VA 23060



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Howard Johnson Inn & Suites	107 N. Carter Rd., Ashland, VA 23005
Pets: YES Distance: 10.7 mi	(804) 521-5177
Quality Inn & Suites	819 England St., Ashland, VA 23005
Pets: YES Distance: 10.4 mi	(804) 798-4231
Hilton Garden Inn	4550 Cox Rd., Glen Allen, VA 23060
Pets: NO Distance: 9.7 mi	(804) 521-2900

FET LODGING

Our show site also offers a 5-star Pet Resort including Dog Lodging. This facility is **SHOW DOG SALLY** and cares for their guests accordingly. www.duderanchpetresort.com

Dude Ranch Pet Resort	11015 Dude Ranch Rd., Glen Allen, VA 23060
Pets: YES People: NO Distance: 0 mi	(804) 798-7900

RALLY OBEDIENCE DESCRIPTION

For a complete description of the Rally rules, regulations, performance guidelines, explanation of exercises, etc. go to www.APDT.com/rally/rules. To learn more and get new ideas, you can join the "all dogs" Rally chat list and talk to other APDT Rally enthusiasts by sending a message to RallyO-All-Dogs-subscribe@yahoogroups.com.

Rally-O is a new sport which consists of a sequence of stations, run as a heel-work course by a handler and dog, where a sign at each station indicates an obedience exercise which the team must perform. Rally is designed to be more relaxed than precision competitive Obedience, focusing instead on attitude and enthusiasm, while the variety of exercises and courses allows you to show off your versatility and teamwork. Rally is intended to promote positive relationships between dogs and owners based on trust and mutual respect. Dogs and handlers should both appear to be enjoying the competition and each other's company.

APDT Rally encourages participation by ALL dogs – purebred or mixed breed, pets or titled champions. Handlers are allowed to encourage their dogs in the ring using verbal praise, petting, and even food rewards just as they would in a good training session. The dogs must perform the exercises correctly and there should be a practiced smooth flow to the performance.

Rally courses, depending on the competition level, consist of 18 to 22 stations, laid out in a numbered pattern (like an agility course), performed on-leash in Level 1 or off-leash in Level 2 (Level 1 title is required to compete at Level 2). Also like agility, handlers get to walk the course and familiarize themselves with the pattern without their dog before running the course. During their run, the dog and handler move through the course in heel position, performing each exercise in turn. The highest scores will be earned by teams who move smoothly through the course, completing each exercise accurately with a minimum of commands, and with high enthusiasm and good attitude. Praise and/or verbal encouragement upon completion of exercises are allowed, and extra commands during exercises are minimally penalized. Rally is fun and interesting to watch as the individual style of each team can really show through.

There are as many as 63 different stations, which might be seen in a Rally course, primarily variations on basic heel exercises and other Obedience skills. Many of the stations involve activities you are probably familiar with; such as *Slow/Normal/Fast Pace Heel*, *Halt*, *Left/Right/About Turn*, and *Finish Right/Left*. Others are simple extensions, such as *270°* and *360° Right/Left Turns*, *Straight Figure Eight*, and *Send Over Jump*. A few of the other interesting stations include:

- > *Call Front - Forward Left*: the handler stops his forward motion and calls the dog to the front position, then moves forward while commanding the dog to move left into heel position falling into step with the handler.
- > *Halt - 1, 2, 3 Steps Forward*: After a halt, the handler takes one step forward, halts, 2 steps, halts, 3 steps and halts. The dog heels with the handler and sits each time the handler halts.
- > *Spiral Right*: The handler, with dog in heel, makes a sequence of right turns around a line of 3-4 pylons, with the first two turns around the end pylons and each successive turn on one end getting tighter and tighter.

You must be familiar with all of the different Rally-O exercise signs prior to the event. Go to www.apdt.com/rally/rules for an explanation of each of the exercise signs and have fun practicing them with your dog.



OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Return completed form(s) with **entry and registration fees payable to Dude Ranch Pet Resort, 11015 Dude Ranch Rd., Glen Allen, VA 23059**
Pre-Entries close on Wednesday, November 30th, 2011

OWNER INFORMATION

Name:		
Address:		
City:	State:	Zip:
Phone:	E-mail:	

DOG INFORMATION

Dog must have an APDT Rally-O registration number. Entries will not be accepted and/or considered valid without an APDT registration number.

Dog's Breed:	Rally Registration#:
Dog's Registered Name:	
Call Name:	
Handler Name:	
Dog's Jump Height: _____ (if applicable ~ does not apply to Puppy/Level 1)	
Current APDT Rally-O Titles: _____	
Do you expect that you could earn a title at this trial? If so, please indicate which title: _____	

TRIAL ENTRY AND FEE INFORMATION (CHECK LEVELS YOU ARE ENTERING)

Each entry is \$22; Puppy entries are only \$20.

Saturday, December 10, 2011 check level and circle A or B class									
Trial 1 (9:00am)					Trial 2 (noon)				
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Puppy A or B Class		L1 A or B Class	L2 A or B Class		Puppy A or B Class		L1 A or B Class	L2 A or B Class	
INTERNAL USE ONLY:									

GENERAL AGREEMENT

I (we) agree that The Dude Ranch Pet Resort (the hosting organization) has the right to refuse this entry for any cause, which the organizing committee alone shall deem to be sufficient. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, of the holding of the event, and of the opportunity to have the dog participate and/or to be judged, I (we) agree to hold the organizing committee, the hosting club, the Association of Pet Dog Trainers, including their members, officers, directors, agents and employees, sponsors of the event, and owners of the premises upon which the event is held and their employees, harmless from any claim for loss or injury that may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or upon the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim. I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss of this dog by disappearance, theft, death, or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury to the dog, whether such loss, disappearance, theft, death, damage, or injury be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes. I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death resulting at any time there from, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, howsoever such injuries, death, or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may have been alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents or any other persons. I (we) further acknowledge that I (we) have read, understand, and will abide by the Official Rally-O Rules and Regulations of the Association of Pet Dog Trainers and the provisions for entry as set forth in the Rally Test Schedule of which this entry form is a part. I (we) acknowledge and represent that the information supplied by me (us) herein is correct to the best of my (our) knowledge; if any portion of this information is found to be invalid or insufficient to establish the validity of my (our) entry, such finding shall render my (our) entry invalid in its entirety, for which there shall be no refund of fees paid. Further, I (we) represent that I am (we are) the owner(s) of the dog listed hereon, or that I (we) am (are) a family member of the dog's owner as stated and allowed in the APDT Rally rules, and that I (we) shall hold the hosting club and APDT, including their officers, directors, employees and agents and their sponsors, harmless from any liability or claim made by dog's owner. Further, I (we) hereby grant to the Association of Pet Dog Trainers, Dude Ranch Pet Resort, their representatives, agents, and assigns, all rights and permissions to use or appropriate my and the dog's name, biography, likeness, photograph, voice, performing persona, or other indicia or identity for broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission, or distribution in any format or media now known or hereafter to become known. I (we) hereby release APDT, the hosting club, their representatives, agents, and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of personality, or any similar right.
 Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent or Legal Guardian signature for junior or minor entries:

Signature: _____ Date: _____

This entry is not valid unless this agreement has been **completed, signed, and dated**. In order to be valid, entries must also be received with correct fees by the closing date. Entries will be accepted on a first-come-first-served basis. Confirmations will be sent via email after entries have closed. Checks will be cashed as they are received. If your check has been cashed, you are entered in the trial.

Need an APDT Number? Register your dog for APDT Rally by completing the form at: <https://www.apdt.com/rally/register/dog/default.aspx>.