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Canadian Amateur Racing Association (CARA)
Straight Racing
September 26, 2021 - 200 yard Straight Race
Roll Call at 9:00 a.m.

Eligibility:

- **All Sighthounds recognized by a Registering Body are welcome, as well as lurchers and longdogs.**
- Dogs must be one year of age or older to participate in a race meet.
- Sighthounds participating in a race meet must have individual registrations with CKC, AKC, or other recognized Registry.
- All dogs must be registered with CARA to participate in official races. Dogs not already registered must submit payment of \$2.00 and a photocopy of their individual registration papers from CKC, AKC or other recognized registry with their entry (for registered sighthounds). CARA registration is for the life of the dog.
- **All hounds must be pre-certified prior to entering their first CARA race meet.** Certifications will be available Saturday afternoon, please let race secretary know if you have dogs that need to certify. Dogs which have FCh, MC, ORC, SOR, OTR, CR, WRCh, RCH, SRCH or GRC are exempt from pre-certification requirements, **however all dogs (including newly certified and those exempt from certification) will be on probation for 2 race meets.**

Entry Fees:

- \$20.00 for 1st dog
- \$15.00 each for subsequent dog(s)
- \$5.00 Puppies/Singles - between race programs
- \$2.00/dog for CARA lifetime registration (if dog isn't already registered)

To enter/register dogs for the meet:

- Please complete the entry form and send it to lewism40@gmail.com listing the dog(s) which will be participating in the race meet.
- Please pay by e-transfer prior to race day, using the same email address as above.
- **Entries will be accepted until 6:00 pm, Thursday, September 23, 2021**

Miscellaneous info for racing:

- **Roll call at 9:00 a.m.** All dogs must be present at roll call and pass inspection.
- Drag line will be used
- All dogs must wear appropriate gear including racing blankets and muzzles. Catch collars are optional. If used, collars must be close fitting with nothing dangling, martingales are not allowed.

There may be muzzles and blankets available for use in your first race meet, contact the race secretary to confirm availability.

- Dogs that are excused or disqualified at any time during the race program will not be reimbursed.
- Bitches in season or lame hounds will have their entry fee reimbursed, provided notice is given prior to, or at roll call.
- Puppies/singles practice will be held between the 1st & 2nd and 2nd & 3rd race programs, please indicate when you send in your entry if you want to enter the practice as well and with which dogs (\$5/dog).

FYI, a few words about racing:

Straight racing is somewhat different from Lure Coursing. To run a successful race meet, participation is a requisite - and an enjoyable way to spend the day while racing. Numerous officials are required: Foul Judges, Finish Judges, Inspection Committee and Starters. There will be dedicated volunteers doing some of the required jobs, but participation from attendees will also be needed

- **Inspection Committee** consists of 2 people who inspect entries at Roll Call. This includes checking for bitches in season, lameness, and adequacy of muzzles. Inspection committee is welcome to participate in other functions as well.
- **Starter** (and assistant Starter) consists of 2 people, who make sure people get to the line race ready, check each dog's equipment, make sure dogs have the correct blankets and are properly muzzled, and help load dogs into the boxes (if a start box is being used). They may also briefly tease the dogs with the lure, then release the dogs once the lure starts moving. For dogs being hand slipped, the Starter also calls the TallyHo! and watches for and calls pre-slips. Starter(s) will usually double as Foul Judges.
- **Foul Judges** consist of a minimum 4 people, equally spaced along the track. Their job is to watch the dogs for interfering with another dog either playfully or aggressively. If there is interference, it's the foul judge's job to report the incident to the race secretary.
- **Finish Judges** consist of a minimum 2 people. They are at the finish line, one on either side of the track. At the end of each race, each judge should immediately record the order of the finish using either blanket colour or number, without conferring with each other or anyone else. They can also act as foul judges.

The Race Program

- There are 3 Programs of racing in a race meet. All races shall be 4 dogs maximum races. Dogs run within their breed, however, for 1 or 2 dog entries, mixed stakes may be run at the discretion of the handlers. Races will be box started or hand-slipped. Whippets will be box started for this meet, all other breeds will be hand-slipped. A dog that is pre-slipped is automatically placed last in its race.
- Dogs that have not yet been certified may only run as "Singles" between race programs.
- The Straight is 200 yards, with a 50 yard run-out. A drag line with a plastic bag will be used as lure.

Awards

- Rosettes for Best of Breed or 1st place and other placement ribbons for 2nd to 5th place.
- Breeds with an entry of 5 or more will also have certificates for High Scoring Veteran (over 6 years) and High Scoring First Time Entered.

Other information:

- The race area is completely fenced.
- Camping is available but there are no hook-ups so units must be self-sufficient. Please contact race secretary if you are interested in camping on-site.
- Please pick up after your dog(s) and dispose of poop bags in the garbage can near the race area.
- Dress appropriately for weather conditions. There is little shade available. If weather is warm, there will be paddling pools available for dogs to cool off in.
- No swearing at/abuse of line judges, lure operator, fellow competitors, volunteers or anyone else on site will be tolerated. If this occurs, you will be asked to leave immediately and you will forfeit your entry fees. Anyone exhibiting unsportsmanlike conduct of any kind or creating unnecessary drama will be asked to leave the property and will forfeit their entry fees.
- All dogs must be on leash at all times on the property, except when racing. Dogs must be under control at all times.
- Covid regulations/public health orders in effect at the time of the race meet will be adhered to. Anyone deliberately not following the proper protocols will be asked to leave the premises.

Owner or agent of any dog at the event assumes all responsibility and risk of loss or injury suffered by or caused by his/her dog while on the premises.

Location:

- Sweet Mouse Acres is located ~10 minutes outside of Lumsden, Saskatchewan.
 - Directions through Lumsden:

Take the Lumsden/Craven exit off the highway. Turn left at the stop sign to go into Lumsden. Go past the Esso & turn left on James St. Go through downtown & follow the road to the right, then just over the tracks turn right on Qu'Appelle Ave. Stay on that road, it will take you out of town & then out of the valley. Once you are out of the valley, our road is the first right hand turn about 5 minutes up the road. There is a grove of mostly dead trees on the right, they are just after our road. Turn right then turn left into our laneway, racing is in the front pasture.
 - Directions through Pense:

Through Pense - Take the #1 and turn right at the Pense turnoff. Continue on the 641 grid for about 15 minutes. You will come to a long right hand curve followed by a long left hand curve. Once you come out of the left hand curve, take the first left hand turn, just after the small grove of mostly dead trees on the left. Then turn left into our laneway, racing is in the front pasture.

CARA ENTRY FORM

Name of Club Holding The Meet:

SWEET MOUSE RACING ASSOCIATION

QUICK ENTRY (Fill in for dogs that have raced CARA previously)

Breed:	Call Name:	CARA Reg #:	Owner Name:
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FIRST TIME ENTRY (Fill in for dogs that have not raced CARA before)

CKC/ AKC/ NGA/ FCI or other REG #	
CALL NAME	
BREED:	
DATE OF BIRTH:	
REGISTERED NAME:	
SIRE:	
DAM:	
SEX:	
OWNER(S):	

ALL ENTRIES:

YOUR NAME	
PHONE NO:	
ADDRESS:	
CITY:	
PROV/ STATE	
POSTAL CODE/ ZIP CODE	
EMAIL ADDRESS:	

PLEASE ENTER THIS/ THESE DOGS ON THE FOLLOWING DATES (place an X in the appropriate box(es) and type in the race date(s)):

<input type="checkbox"/>	FRIDAY (if offered, type in date here):	
<input type="checkbox"/>	SATURDAY (if offered, type in date here):	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	SUNDAY	
<input type="checkbox"/>	MONDAY (if offered, type in date here):	

ENTRY FEES TO BE PAID AS PER PREMIUM LIST \$

WAIVER:

By submitting this entry form, I hereby agree that:

I CERTIFY that I am the actual owner of this dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I have entered above. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and the opportunity to have this dog race, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of the CANADIAN AMATEUR RACING ASSOCIATION in effect at the time of this race meet, and by any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list for this race meet. I (we) agree that the Sweet Mouse Racing Association, Canadian Amateur Racing Association member Club, holding this Race meet has the right to refuse this entry for any cause, which the named club shall deem to be sufficient. I (we) agree to hold the Club(s), its members, directors, governors, officers, agents or other functionaries, any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties and the Owners of the Property of the practice premises or grounds harmless from any claim for loss or injury which 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 practice/ certification meet premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim, and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim/ loss of this/ these dogs by disappearance, theft, damage or injury be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the Club(s) or any of the aforementioned parties or by the negligence of any person or any other cause or causes. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to person or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptance of the foregoing representations and agreements.

Signature or e-signature: Date signed: