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Supply as Course designer or in scale in black pen on an A4 sheet Portrait size.

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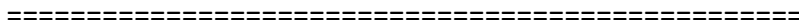
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EDITORIAL.

Welcome to all those of you who are new to the NALA correspondence series. We hope you have fun!!

This month we describe all about NALA. And we congratulate those who received the honour of an Annual award.



WHAT IS NALA? WHAT IS AGILITY LINK?

NALA is the National Agility Link Association. It offers a competition covering 11 months of the year called the "National Agility Link Novelty Correspondence Series" (NALA or Link for short!!) and a magazine called "AGILITY LINK" which is produced every month except July.

WHAT DO MEMBERS GET FROM BELONGING TO NALA?

1. Belonging to NALA is a positive way of supporting Agility, Flygility and RallyO in NZ.

2. The Club competition helps develop a feeling of Club identification. Some clubs offer trophies that are handed out each month!
3. The monthly courses are a relatively cheap way of introducing new people to the Agility competitive scene, help provide a focus for training (monthly courses) and provide an incentive to go to training - especially for the more experienced ones who might otherwise drift away from Club activities.
4. NALA gives members the opportunity to design courses, scime, time and judge them, which mean they gain experience in a club environment, making more people more knowledgeable for Championship events!
5. NALA has in the past organised seminars and visits by overseas experts
6. NALA gives its members the opportunity to participate in three sports – Agility, Flygility and RallyO.
7. There are prizes to the best 10% of dogs over the year as well as Club prizes in each division. Prizegetters receive generous ribbons.
8. Dogs and Handlers participating in the monthly competition gain the opportunity to compete against others from all over the country without leaving their home turf!

9. The Agility Link magazine/website provides an advertising forum - for equipment, accommodation, competitions etc. Agility Link provides a source of Agility information - e.g., training tips, equipment information, judging and stewarding information, and an exchange of ideas from all over NZ, as well as a vehicle for the expression of new ideas and individual opinions.
10. NALA also has a website.
11. The opportunity to participate in a range of activities for one cost.
12. The range of activities offered include Agility standard, beginners and veterans, rally-O Standard and Challenge, Flygility standard and challenge as well as Games.
13. NALA has an annual Grants round, and participating clubs may apply for financial assistance for a project or piece of equipment.

Here are the RULES for the NALA COMPETITION.

Each Club must nominate a NALA Link co-ordinator(s). It is the Club Link co-ordinator's responsibility to ensure these rules are adhered to.

1. ELIGIBILITY.

Only Agility Link subscribers are eligible to have scores recorded for Interclub or individual dog competition. Agility Link subscribers may have scores recorded for any dog they handle. Clubs may compete in any

Interclub competition offered by NALA. If Clubs wish to use a Novelty name they must also include part of the Club name.

2. JUDGING.

Any person knowledgeable of the agility/flygility/rallyO rules may act as a judge. Two judges may officiate, one judge competing under the other judge. Care must be taken to provide consistent judging. All judging will be based on the current acceptable standards in NZ.

Exceptions are:

- a) Weave poles: no faults or refusals except for touching the dog, but they must be correctly negotiated.
- b) Long jump: if corner poles appear on the plan they must be used.
- c) There is no SCT or MCT.

3. COURSE PLANS:

Any subscriber is welcome to submit a course plan, by Course designer, or clearly drawn to scale on an A4 sheet. The ring size for agility is 30m x 40m, and for rallyO is 20 x20m maxm for every month.

4. COURSE LENGTH, MEASUREMENTS AND TIMING.

When setting up the course, distances must be checked with a meter wheel, following the path laid out on the plan. The total length of the course must coincide with that stated in the plan, margin of error is 1m.

Where specific instructions are included on the plan these must be adhered to. The course layout should be checked so that where the plan shows jumps/signs in a straight line or on angles this is done. Check grids and line up obstacles along a grid, so that the character of the course is adhered to.

Electronic timers or an accurate stop-watch must be used, with times being recorded to 100ths of a second.

5. SCORING AND RESULTS. (Unless specified otherwise with the Course Brief)

The club will submit the score of each competitor's FIRST run on the course.

No previous practice over that particular course is allowed. (See comment at the end of this document)**

Agility: The competitor's score consists of the time taken to run the course plus any faults caused by course faults. A competitor who has NO course faults will receive a bonus by having 5 secs subtracted from the running time.

RallyO: The competitor's score consists of the time taken for the round plus a score out of 100.

The club co-ordinator must enter results on the website or forward results to reach the AGILITY LINK Results Recorder before the last day of the month of running. Late results or results from members who are not financial, will not be published or credited.

6. OBSTACLE STANDARDS.

The Club should use its own equipment. All obstacles must be of safe construction. Where levels of height or length may differ, in Agility Link competitions the obstacles should be set at their maximum height/length.

7. COMPETITION

a) Interclub.

A club's score in any month will be the sum of the scores of that club's three best performers for that month. A club will be credited with points

for that month equal to the place it gains, e.g. The club that achieves 1st Place is credited with 1 point, the 2nd club 2 points, etc.

Top Club Award will go to the club with the lowest total after adding together that club's EIGHT lowest scores. If, finally, two clubs are on the same aggregate score the club with the lower team aggregate for the LAST month they both competed together, will have preference.

Agility Divisions.

There will be three or four Divisions, with approximately similar numbers in each division. Clubs may organise more than one team but the Club's second or third team must start in the lowest division, and handlers/dogs will run for the same team all year. All new teams/clubs will start in the lowest division.

Relegation/promotion: The results recorder will publish promotions and relegations with the aim to reward the top teams by promotion, and to ensure the size of divisions is maintained approximately even.

Dogs in Teams.

Where a Club has more than one Team in the competition, Senior dogs (at DogsNZ Championship level) or those with a clear round in ADX advanced must be included in the top team (this applies at the beginning of the year when Teams are first set up).

New members (except for Senior dogs or dogs with a clear round in ADX advanced) may be added to any Club team.

NALA members who move during a competition year may have their score credited to whichever Club they choose.

(b) Individual Dog.

The same principle will apply as for Interclub. Any member of NALA may compete in the monthly competition, under the one subscription, with more than one dog. Awards will be given to the first 10% (approx) of dogs.

AGILITY LINK may, from time to time, offer **other forms of competition**, depending on sponsorship, and interest.

8. CLASSES AND ELIGIBILITY.

Jumpers: Three times a year the courses will contain NO contact obstacles. All dogs may compete.

Games: An annual Games competition is now available. A standard results sheet is available from the co-ordinator.

WARMING YOUR DOGS UP.

Members should warm their dogs up prior to running the course.

A club should ideally set up equipment outside the course proper, however a dog may also warm-up on equipment included in the course, at the discretion of the NALA co-ordinator. Eg. you may want to put your dog on the A-frame, weave or dogwalk a few times and reward with a toy. This is allowed.

If this is the case, only one or two pieces can be used at a time and they are to be used the OPPOSITE way to that which they will be run on the course.

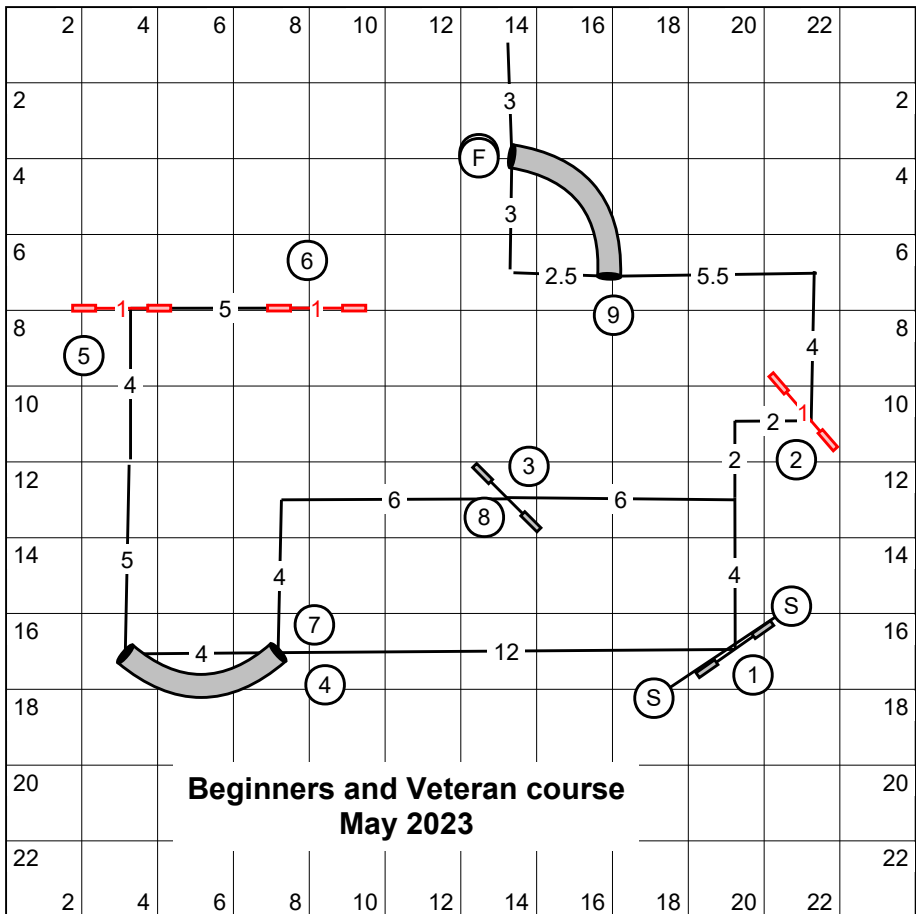
No food is to be used during the warmup on the course.



Juniors and Veterans – May 2023

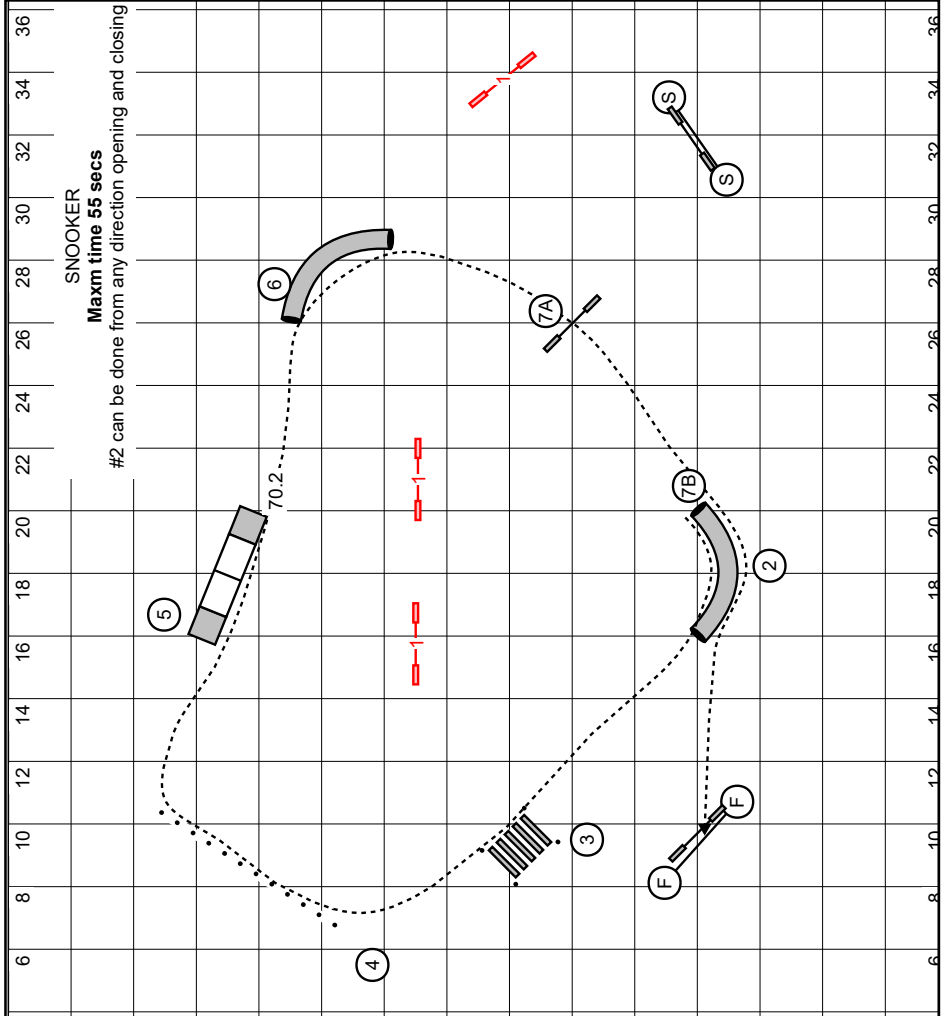
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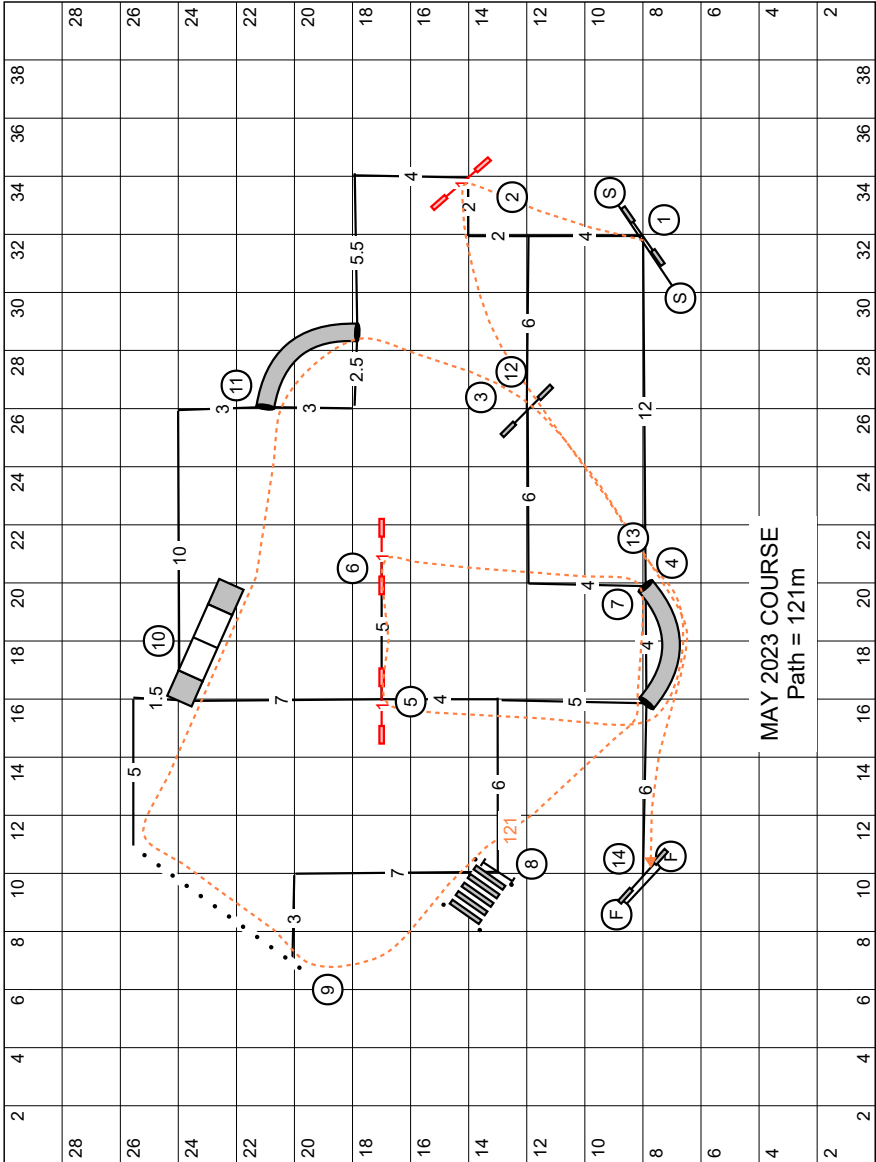
May Game - Snooker

Maxm time 55secs



May 2023

Path = 121m



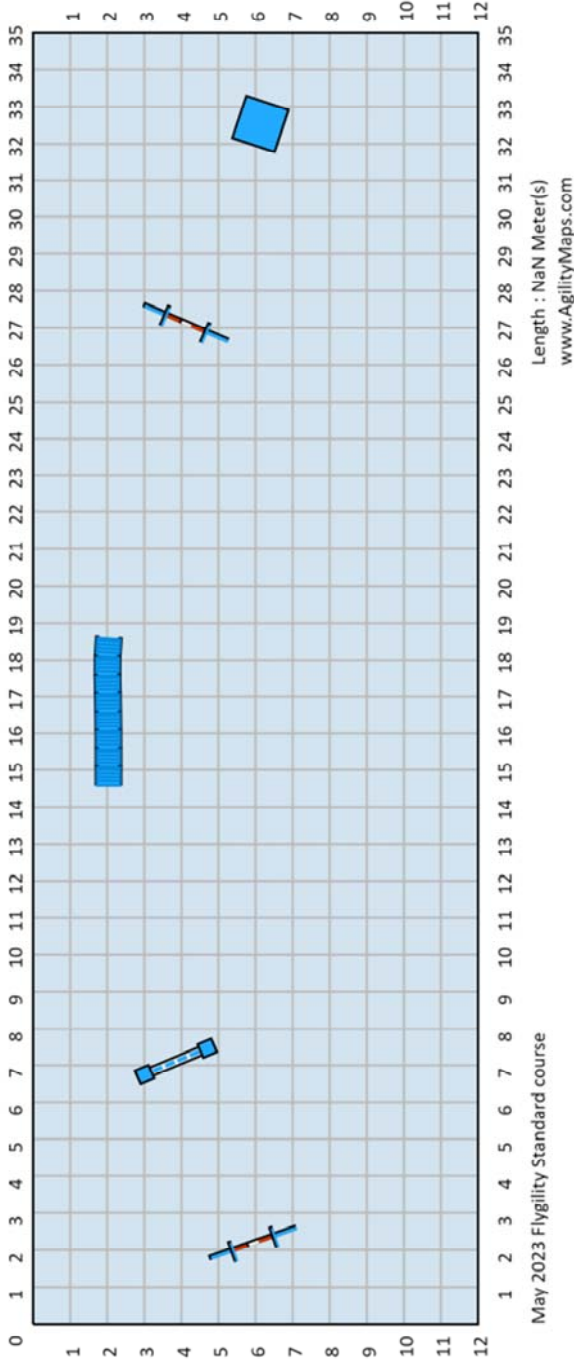
Standard RallyO

1. 360 left (12)
2. Call front finish left forward (14)
3. About u turn (8)
4. Halt sit walk around (30)
5. 270 left (10)
6. serpentine weave twice (23)
7. Figure of eight (N1, 32)
8. left about (29)
9. weave once (24)
10. right turn (5)
11. 270 left (10)
12. moving sidestep right (20)
13. call front finish right forward (13)

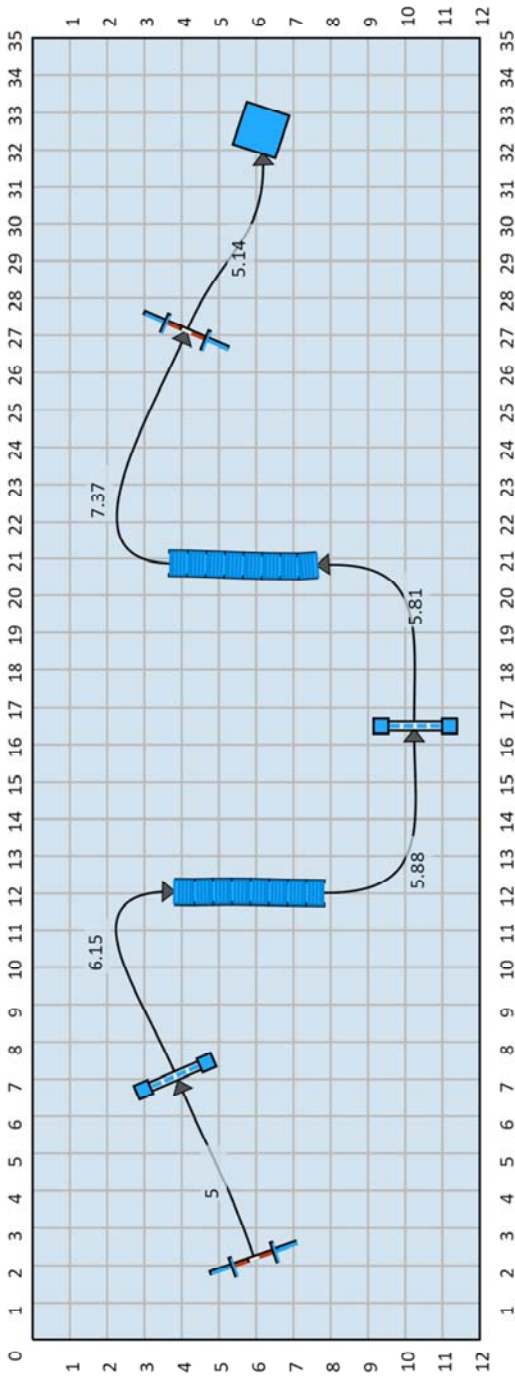
Challenge RallyO

1. 360 left (12)
2. **moving stand walk around (248)**
3. About u turn (8)
4. Halt sit walk around (30)
5. 270 left (10)
6. serpentine weave twice(23)
7. **Figure of eight poles (154)**
8. left about (29)
9. weave once (24)
10. **stand pivot right (157)**
11. right turn (5)
12. **halt side step right halt (140)**
13. **sit, call front finish right forward (141)**

May 2023 Flygility standard courses



May 2023 Flygility Challenge course



May 2023 Flygility Challenge course

Length : 49.05 Meter(s)
www.AgilityMaps.com

ANNUAL AWARDS for the 2022/23 Season

Individual Agility - 600

1	Take	Lara Tompsett	Cambridge DOC
2	Bob JDX	Linda Humphries	Nelson DTC
3	Sequel	Peter de Wit	Canty CATS
4	Lucy	Trish Bush	Eastern BOP Dog Obedience
5	Fleet	Christine Gillespie	Whangarei DTA
6	Dyani	Heather Hood	Waimakariri DTC
7	Jinx	Lynette Sayers	CHB Dog Training Club
8	J CH Geeva AD JDX	Frazer Delamere	Mt Maunganui DTC
9	Jelo ADXG JDG	Una Forrester	Eastern BOP Dog Obedience
10	Che ADXG JAX GD CGCG	Jacqueline Olley	Hawkes Bay DTC
11	Range	Christine Gillespie	Whangarei DTA

Individual Agility - 500

1	Splash	Natasha Hoogstraten	Mt Maunganui DTC
2	Minx	Christine Lansdaal	Cambridge DOC
3	Ruby	Denise Ockey	Hawkes Bay DTC
4	Cola	Eileen Goldsmith	Eastern BOP Dog Obedience
5	Haze	Lynette Sayers	CHB Dog Training Club
6	Peppy	Gillie Smith	Blenheim CTC
7	Baylee JD	Jocelyn Jensen	Mt Maunganui DTC
8	Murphy	Jayden Duff	Upper Hutt DTC
9	Fred	Nartarsha Gorrie	Nelson DTC
10	Chai	Marian Holman	DAWG

Individual Agility - Small

1	Smudge	Erin Mulholland	Upper Hutt DTC
2	Teekatoo	Kathryn Snook	Canterbury CATS
3	Maisy	Tyler Cooke	Canterbury CATS
4	Tui	Sandra McHugh	Canterbury CATS
5	Bonnie AD JDX	Tracey Swart	Mt Maunganui DTC
5	Rock It	Gillie Smith	Blenheim CTC
7	Paddy ADXG JDB SNX	Justine Dale	Mt Maunganui DTC
8	Kanye	Ceri Tarry	Cambridge DOC
9	Chaos	Martyn Brennan	Whangarei DTA
10	Jock	Tracy Munro	Cambridge DOC
11	Kiwa	Gail Bramley	Canterbury CATS
12	FDSCH Taku ADXG JDX GD	Chris Ross	CHB Dog Training Club

Individual Flygility-standard 2022/23

600

1	Jordie JDX	Janice Aldridge	North Taranaki DTC
4	Gus AD JDX	Lynn Pillette	North Taranaki DTC
9	Tank	Cherie Picking	DAWG

500

2	Kez TT2	Angela Sands	North Taranaki DTC
3	Betty	Chrissy Harris	Hawkes Bay DTC
5	Joma	Sharon Jordan	Blenheim CTC

small

6	Pipa	Christine Hutchings	Dog Sports Rotorua
11	Lizzie FD	Dave Swinyard	Mt Maunganui DTC
13	Milly	Julie Sefton	Dog Sports Rotorua

Individual Flygility-challenge 2022/23

600

1	Gus AD JDX	Lynn Pillette	North Taranaki DTC
4	Jordie JDX	Janice Aldridge	North Taranaki DTC
10	Chip	Raewyn Saville	Dog Sports Rotorua

500

2	Willow	Sandra Banks	North Taranaki DTC
5	FDCH Dazzle	Laurel Austin	North Taranaki DTC
9	Lace	Chrissy Harris	Hawkes Bay DTC

small

3	Lizzie FD	Dave Swinyard	Mt Maunganui DTC
6	Pipa	Christine Hutchings	Dog Sports Rotorua
7	FDSCH Taku	Chris Ross	CHB Dog Training Club

TEAMS ANNUAL RESULTS.

AGILITY.

Club Competition - Division One Winner Cambridge

Club Competition - Division Two Winner EBOP

Club Competition - Division One Runnerup Mt
Maunganui

Club Competition - Division Two Runnerup Whangarei

FLYGILITY.

Club Competition - Standard Flygility Winner" Nth
Taranaki

Club Competition - Challenge Flygility Winner: Nth
Taranaki

JUNIORS.

Junior Link – Experienced 8-11years – First James Jones

Junior Link – Beginners 12 - 20 years – First Ellie Reyland

VETERANS - Smalls

Feergus	Anne Packer	UHDS
Lucy	Dee Ockey	HBDTC

VETERANS - 500s

Maple Ceri Tarry Cambridge

Finn Karen de Wit CCATS

VETERANS - 600s

Sophie	Debbie Trimbach	Rotorua Dog Sports
Twist	Lara Tompsett	Cambridge

ANNUAL Results - GAMES

Top Ten 600 dogs(Best 8/11 runs)

1	Sequel	Peter de Wit	CCATS
2	Lucy	Trish Bush	EBOP
3	Zinc	Karen de wit	CCATS
4	Che	Jackie Olley	Hawkes Bay DTC
5	Blue	Eileen Goldsmith	EBOP
6	Jelo	Una Forrester	EBOP
7	Frankie	Jackie Olley	Hawkes Bay DTC
8	Luna	Jackie Carbin	Hawkes Bay DTC
9	Heidi	Helen Fabling	UHDTC
10	Fleet	Chris Gillespie	Whangarei

Top 500 dogs (Best 8/11 runs)

1	Ruby	Dee Ockey	Hawke's Bay DTC
2	Tabasco	Candace Bobier	CCATS
3	Murphy	Jayden Duff	UHDTC
4	Vee	Margaret Lilley	UHDTC
5	Ace	Erin Mulholland	UHDTC

6	Cola	E Goldsmith	EBOP
7	Arnie	Debra Glennie	CCATS
8	Shelby	Wayne Turner	UHDTC

Top Ten small dogs (Best 8/11 runs)

1	Tevis	Anne Packer	UHDTC
2	Fleck	Erin Mulholland	UHDTC
3	Smudge	Erin Mulholland	UHDTC
4	Maisy	Tyler Cooke	CCATS
5	Teeka	Kathryn Snook	CCATS
6	Tui	Sandra McHugh	CCATS
7	Harmony	Cath Brennan	WDTA
8	Kiwa	Gail Bramley	CCATS
9	Chaos	Martyn Brennan	WDTA
10	Bilbo	Anne Cozens	WDTA



NZARO RALLYO Individual Competition - standard

1	Sequel	Peter de Wit	RallyO Canterbury
2	Secret	Annabel Busby	Napier DTC
3	Asti	Rhonda Campbell	Whanganui DTC
4	Rebo	Rhonda Campbell	Whanganui DTC
5	Hakeem	Barbara James	Whanganui DTC
6	Betty	Chrissy Harris	Hawkes Bay DTC
7	Angus	Fiona Scott	Canterbury COC
8	Daisy RN	Marion van Nobelen	Canterbury COC
9	Beauden	Barbara James	Whanganui DTC
9	Finn	Karen de Wit	RallyO Canterbury
11	Jessie	Yolanda Nuberg	Canterbury COC
12	Harry	Helen Scott	Canterbury COC
13	Zinc	Karen de Wit	RallyO Canterbury
14	Sasuke	Rieko Ogawa	RallyO Canterbury
15	Lace	Chrissy Harris	Hawkes Bay DTC
16	Paddington	Joanne Hammond	RallyO Canterbury
17	Theo	Olivia Morris	Canterbury COC
18	Asha	Julie Lovell	Whanganui DTC
19	Finn CDX RN	Barbara James	Whanganui DTC
20	Eszty	Marian Holman	DAWG

NZARO RALLYO Individual Competition - challenge

1	Sequel	Peter de Wit	RallyO Canterbury
2	Daisy RN	Marion van Nobelen	Canterbury COC
3	Lace	Chrissy Harris	Hawkes Bay DTC
4	Hakeem	Barbara James	Whanganui DTC
5	Asti	Rhonda Campbell	Whanganui DTC
5	Jessie	Yolanda Nuberg	Canterbury COC
7	Betty	Chrissy Harris	Hawkes Bay DTC
8	Rebo	Rhonda Campbell	Whanganui DTC
9	Zinc	Karen de Wit	RallyO Canterbury
10	Secret	Annabel Busby	Napier DTC

Club Competition Winner: Rally-O Canty

Club Competition Runner Up: Whanganui

Club Competition - challenge Winner: RallyO Canty

Club Competition - challenge Runnerup: CCOC

Membership is now due.

Please visit the website

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*to fill in a membership form, and make
payment to the NALA bank account*

The NALA bank account is 03-1571-0025134-25

