

To All Exhibitors at the Dogs Victoria Open Show Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2021

**EXHIBIT NUMBERS WILL BE EMAILED ON THURSDAY** -( Entries close Wednesday)

A big welcome to you all to the first show back after what seems like such a long time! We are delighted to be able to hold this open show to start the year and are optimistic that it will be the first of a fairly full show calendar again.

Of course **THIS SHOW WILL BE RUN UNDER COVID REGULATIONS** so we need you to please:-

- Be familiar with the **COVID Education – Exhibitors, Competitors and Members** and **COVID Education - Physical Examination of a Dog** sections of the Dogs Victoria COVID-19 Update Hub at <https://dogsvictoria.org.au/members>
- Be independent – you must bring everything you need for the day. This particularly includes enough water for you and your dogs so you don't touch dog water taps etc. Poo bags will be available if you don't have your own but pooper scoopers will not be out. For the humans – the biggest thing is that we cannot have any food or coffee vans, so bring your own drinks and food. (The show should finish by about 1.00pm.) The dog shop will not be attending.
- Maintain Social Distancing of 1.5 metres. This includes 1.5 metres between gazebos. Please follow this strictly as you set up – a measuring stick will be there – and Covid Marshalls will be present at each ring for advice if you have doubts. They will also ask you to move if you set up too closely!
- You must carry a mask at all times and wear it whenever necessary eg in assembly areas.
- Remember to bring your exhibit numbers, and that the online catalogue will be sent to all exhibitors free early on the morning. Printed catalogues will not be available.
- When you arrive all cars will pass through a checkpoint. If your car number plate and attendees are as already notified to show manager online nothing further is necessary, and this is the quickest way in. You can alter your attendees information on show manager until Thursday night, and we encourage you to use this method. However if there are differences on the day you will need to register attendees at the checkpoint by either
  - using the QR code using your mobile phone or
  - handing in a “contact tracing attendees record” form previously downloaded and filled in from the Covid Update Hub of the DV website, or
  - signing the list.

**This is all new to everyone, so please keep it all nice, have a little patience, and ask if you have queries. Remember that the workers are all volunteers and we absolutely cannot afford upsets or any breach of the rules. Any hiccups could mean that future shows may suffer or even be cancelled, so please follow any instructions from the stewards and marshals without objection and with good grace. We are on trial!! Thank you.**

Lastly - ENJOY THE DAY!! WE'RE BACK.....

The Dogs Victoria Open Show Committee