



Official Schedule

Entries open **Tuesday 1 July 2025**.
Online entries close **Monday 1 September 2025**.
Enter online at www.dogsnz.org.nz
For entries, grooming spaces and gazebo bookings.
Report and start times: **TBA**.

Entry Fees

Breed (Prelude)	\$28.50 per entry
Breed (National)	\$28.50 per entry
Stakes (National)	\$20 for each Stake Class
Breeders Team Stakes (National)	\$20 per team
Grooming Spaces (2x2m)	\$20 per day
Gazebo Spaces (3x3m)	\$30 per day
Catalogue, NDS/Prelude Combined, printed & pre-ordered only	\$22
Catalogue will not be emailed	

Judging Format 2025

Best of Group judging will be judged 4th to 1st. No reserve winners will be required.

Age of Group will be judged unless eliminated by group winners.

Neuter Best and Reserve of Group judged. Reserve not required for Neuter in Show.

Best in Show judging will be 4th to 1st format.

Prelude Show will be the regular Dogs New Zealand judging format.

Dogs New Zealand reserves the right to re-allocate breeds and appoint replacement judges if necessary.

Classes To Be Judged

Breed Classes 1, 3, 5, 6, 8, 11, 18 (Dogs)
1a, 3a, 5a, 6a, 8a, 11a, 18a (Bitches)

Stakes Classes (National) Exhibits entered in a breed class at the National Dog Show may be entered in a stakes class for which they are qualified. The classes are:

- **Puppy Stakes:** All breeds of puppies aged 3-12 calendar months on the first day of the show.
- **NZ Bred Stakes:** NZ-bred dogs aged six months and over.
- **Veteran Stakes:** For dogs/bitches over the age of seven years. Do not need to have been entered in a breed class

Breeders Team Stakes (National)

Open to breeders, three to a maximum of five dogs or bitches of any one breed not necessarily owned by the breeder but must carry the one kennel name.

Any exhibit, over the age of seven years, need not have been entered in a breed class. One team from each group will proceed to the final.

Judging Timetable

Thursday 25 September

Report and Start time TBA

NDS Terriers: Mr Marko Lepasaar, Breed and Group judging

Prelude Terriers: Mr Luis Catalan, Breed and Group judging

NDS Working Dogs: Mr Richard Paquette, Breed and Group judging

Prelude Working Dogs: Mrs Siret Lepasaar, Breed and Group judging

NDS Stakes & Breeders Teams for above groups:
Mrs Kaye Finlayson

YDS: At completion of group judging

Friday 26 September

Report and Start time TBA

NDS Toys: Mrs Siret Lepasaar, Breed and Group judging

Prelude Toys: Mr Richard Paquette, Breed and Group judging

NDS Non Sporting: Mr Marko Lepasaar, Breed and Group judging

Prelude Non Sporting: Mr Luis Catalan, Breed and Group judging

NDS Stakes & Breeders Teams for above group:
Mrs Kaye Finlayson

Saturday 27 September

Report and Start time TBA

NDS Gundogs: Mr Luis Catalan, Breed and Group judging

Prelude Gundogs: Mrs Siret Lepasaar, Breed & Group judging

NDS Utility: Mr Richard Paquette, Breed & Group judging

Prelude Utility: Mr Marko Lepasaar, Breed & Group judging

NDS Stakes & Breeders Teams for above groups:
Mrs Kaye Finlayson

Sunday 28 September

Report and Start time TBA

NDS Hounds: Mr Luis Catalan, Breed and Group judging

Prelude Hounds: Mr Marko Lepasaar, Breed and Group judging

NDS Stakes & breeders teams for above groups:
Mrs Kaye Finlayson

Prelude Best in Show: Mrs Siret Lepasaar

JDH Final & YDS Presentations

Stakes Finals

NDS Best in Show: Mr Luis Catalan

Judges

BREED JUDGES

Mrs Kaye Finlayson (New Zealand)

National Dog Show

Puppy, NZ Bred, Veteran and Breeder Stakes

Mr Marko Lepasaar (Estonia)

National Dog Show

Terriers: Breed and Group judging

Non Sporting: Breed and Group judging

Prelude Show

Utility: Breed and Group judging

Hounds: Breed and Group judging

Mr Luis Catalan (Portugal)

National Dog Show

Gundogs: Breed and Group judging

Hounds: Breeds and Group judging

Best In Show

Prelude Show

Terriers: Breed and Group judging

Non Sporting: Breed and Group judging

Mrs Siret Lepasaar (Estonia)

National Dog Show

Toys: Breed and Group judging

Prelude Show

Working: Breed and Group judging

Gundogs: Breed and Group judging

Best In Show

Mr Richard Paquette (Canada)

National Dog Show

Working: Breed and Group judging

Utility: Breed and Group judging

Prelude Show

Toys: Breeds and Group judging

JUDGE PROFILE

The judges listed left were profiled in the May 2025 issue of NZ Dog World. We are pleased to announce the final judge is Canada's Richard Paquette. His profile follows:

Richard is a Canadian Kennel Club-licensed All Breed judge and founding member of the Canadian Dog Judges Association. He has been involved with purebred dogs since 1971. He

began his career in dogs with primarily Shih Tzu (kennel name Wenrick), but he has also owned and bred Samoyeds, Afghans, Salukis, Whippets, Griffon Bruxellois, Maltese, Pekingese, Lakeland Terriers, and Fox Terriers (Wire). Shih Tzu and Lakelands are his main breeds, and he has produced over 300 Canadian Champions, 150 American Champions, 20 different Best in Show winners and 12 National Specialty winning dogs.

Richard is now a retired professional dog handler, a profession he enjoyed for 15 years. During this time, he finished over 500 champions in 80 different breeds and won over 150 All Breed Best in Shows on 16 different breeds.

He has served on the executives of All Breed and Specialty breed clubs and is currently a Director of the Canadian Kennel Club, Chair of the CKC Brachycephalic Breeds Advocacy Committee and President of the Canadian Shih Tzu Club.

Richard serves on the breed health Committees of both the Canadian and American Shih Tzu Clubs and has given seminars in many countries on correct breed type and structure of Shih Tzu and how it effects the health and quality of life of the dogs. Richard has been honored with Life Memberships in the CKC, the Sudbury & District Kennel Club and the Canadian Shih Tzu Club as well as being awarded an Honourary Membership in the Canadian Professional Handlers Association.

In addition to Canada and the USA, Richard has judged in Argentina, Australia, New Zealand, Bermuda, Brazil, Colombia, Chile, Peru, Uruguay, China, Japan, Korea, Mexico, Nicaragua, Philippines, Thailand, Taiwan, South Africa, Ghana, Uganda, Israel, Spain, Denmark, Italy, Finland, Latvia, Croatia, Russia, Sweden, and Ireland.



Satellite Shows

Sunday 21 September

- The Plains Kennel Association (All Breeds) (McLeans Island)
- Canterbury Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club (McLeans Island)

Monday 22 September

- The Plains Kennel Association (All Breeds) (McLeans Island)
- Dominion Chihuahua Club (McLeans Island)

Tuesday 23 September

- The Curtain Raiser (All Breeds) (McLeans Island)

Wednesday 24 September

- Canterbury Toy Dog Society (McLeans Island)
- Dominion Collie Club (McLeans Island)
- South Island Collie Club (McLeans Island)
- South Island Welsh Corgi League (McLeans Island)
- Southern Bulldog Club (McLeans Island)
- United Bull Breeds Association (McLeans Island)
- Mainland Staffordshire Bull Terrier Society (McLeans Island)
- South Island Non Sporting & Utility Dog Association (2) (McLeans Island)

Thursday 25 September

- Canterbury Dachshund Club (Mainpower Stadium)
- Southern Golden Retriever Club (Mainpower Stadium)
- Southern Gundog Society (Mainpower Stadium)
- The Spitz Breed Club (Mainpower Stadium)
- Dominion Bullmastiff Club (McLeans Island)
- South Island Beagle Club (McLeans Island)

Friday 26 September

- Second Dachshund National (Mainpower Stadium)
- Canterbury Combined Terrier Club (McLeans Island)
- Continental Gundog Club (Mainpower Stadium)
- South Island Collie Club (McLeans Island)
- The Fox Terrier Club (McLeans Island)
- South Island Whippet Club (McLeans Island)
- The Wemaraner Club (Mainpower Stadium)

Saturday 27 September

- South Island Hound Club (Mainpower Stadium)
- Schipperke Society (McLeans Island)

Information for Exhibitors

ADDITIONAL SHOW INFORMATION

Allocation of judges and scheduling: The Purina Pro Plan National Dog Show Committee reserves the right to re-allocate judges and alter the scheduled order of judging should circumstances require.

Trophies: An extensive range of ribbons, cups and prizes will be offered for competition.

Exhibitors Timetable: Will be emailed out and available on the Dogs New Zealand website.

Mainpower Stadium Address

289 Coldstream Road, Rangiora 7473

Mainpower Stadium Set-up

We will have a six-ring show setup at the Mainpower indoor venue to accommodate the NDS / Prelude / Satellite shows, This will reduce to two rings for NDS Best-in-Show Day on Sunday 27 September 2025.

Crates are only permitted in the grooming areas. Dogs may only enter the ring area prior to their breed judging and must leave after judging. Trolleys are permitted in the relevant holding ring while the breed is being judged.

Grooming Spaces during NDS

Grooming spaces (2sqm) are available at \$20 per day and must be pre-booked using the on-line show entry program. Grooming space will be located in a marquee adjacent to the main building.

Gazebo sites during NDS

Gazebo sites (3sqm) are available at \$30 per day and must be prebooked using the on-line show entry programme.

Car Parking Spaces

Free Car Parking: Mainpower Stadium has over 200 car parks which are available at no charge to exhibitors and guests.

Day visit camping vans & trailer vehicles will be able to park in a dedicated zone. To ensure adequate spaces please contact Helene Street debruk@xtra.co.nz with the show days you will be attending.

Self-contained campers can be parked at the venue during the day.

Disabled Car parking: There are a limited number of disabled parking that can be reserved by contacting Helene Street, debruk@xtra.co.nz

Drop off zone is available at Mainpower Stadium on the western side of the venue which will allow members to access the grooming areas.

Accommodation & Camping

There is no camping at the Mainpower Stadium. Self contained campers can be parked at the venue while there are shows in progress.

If you wish to camp at McLeans Island Kennel Centre please contact Helen Dupe, bookings@cka.co.nz

Catering

Catering is available inside the stadium at a cafe situated at main entry. There will also be a food cart located outside near the exhibitor entry.

Trade Stalls

A variety of trade stalls have already been booked. If your business would like to book a trade stand, please contact Mel Goodger, execadmin@dogsnz.org.nz