

Groomers on Show 2019



In conjunction with



Dogs on Show Saturday 15th June 2019

DOGS NSW Rotunda, DOGS NSW, Bill Spilstead Complex for Canine Affairs,



Luddenham Rd, Orchard Hills



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WHO CAN ENTER

The competition is open to all groomers be it salon, independent or show dog groomers. DOGS NSW invite pure and mixed breeds of dogs to attend that are well socialised with other dogs, pets and humans of all ages.

All dogs in attendance must be in good health, microchipped, vaccinated and free from parasites. Evidence of this must be available if requested.

HOW TO ENTER

This is a one day event and as space is restricted, entries are limited.

1. Entrant Pre-Registration

You will be required to pre-register your name or business by completing the Pre-Registration Form. This will secure your place in the competition.

The pre-registration fee is \$20 and is non-refundable after closing (**Friday 3rd May 2019**). Paying this fee will entitle you to one 1.5m x 1.5m grooming station plus a 450mm x 650mm corflute sign showcasing your business name or name, suburb and contact number.

If an entrant is competing in more than one class, i.e., a morning class and an afternoon class, you only need to register and pay for one grooming station.

If you have an entrant competing in the morning class only and a different entrant in an afternoon class only you may use the same grooming station. You will need to register and pay for one grooming station only.

If you have more than one entrant competing at any one time, you will need to register and pay for additional grooming stations.

If you require more than one grooming station you must let us know at the time of pre-registration. There is an additional fee of \$20 per grooming station required.

You may bring business cards and leaflets to further promote your business.

Pre-registration closes Friday 3rd May 2019.

2. Competition Entry Form

Once DOGS NSW has acknowledgement your registration in the competition by email, you will be sent the Competition Entry Form.

The entry fee is \$55 per groomer per class entered.

Once classes are full you will be placed on a waiting list and advised accordingly.

You must also let DOGS NSW know if you require power at the time of competition entry.

Competition entry closes Friday 31st May 2019.

PRIZES

Prizes will be awarded to place getters in each class and in each level.

1 st , 2 nd and 3 rd	Cash, Sash and Sponsor product
Best in Group	Cash, Sash and Sponsor product
Best in Show	Cash, Sash and Sponsor product

WHAT DO YOU NEED TO BRING?

- CORDLESS EQUIPMENT (limited power is available. If you require power, you need to let DOGS NSW know via the competition entry form). All cordless chargers need to be tagged and tested.
- Non electronic grooming table, grooming arm and sling
- Tagged and tested grooming equipment (if not using cordless)
- Your own product
- Groomers need to supply their own extension leads and power boards, tagged and tested
- Business cards/Flyers

ALL ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT MUST BE TAGGED AND TESTED.

THIS IS A LEGAL REQUIREMENT.

INTRODUCING OUR JUDGES

Mrs Sharon Hall (NSW)



Sharon is the proprietor of Snuggle Pup and Cuddle Pooch Dog Grooming Salon, a business she started in 2001 that now employs seven staff and services more than 5000 clientele in the Shoalhaven.

She is a Director of International Grooming Company with the goal of being able to provide education and knowledge to those interested in becoming a pet stylist or wanting to improve their skills or business within the Pet industry with nationally recognised courses.

Sharon spent the better part of 2009-2010 working on introducing the first of its kind in Australia a nationally recognised grooming program and online assessments with industry support through Pet industry Association certificates.

She has been competing in grooming competitions since 2002 with many big placings. Sharon has won both in Australia, USA and Germany. With so many great achievements some of Sharon's most memorable was her Best In show at 2012 Sydney Royal competition with her hand stripped American cocker Spaniel and her accumulative wins that have made it possible for Sharon to of been selected on the traveling Groom Teams that have represented Australia in 2009, 2011, 2015 and 2017

Sharon has recently returned from America where she was invited to judge and speak at Las Vegas Annual SuperZoo and The Jack Pot competition which has become famous for its large Cash prize awards.

She has been to China and South Korea to Judge their grooming competitions. She was invited to do this by the International Judges Association. It was a great accolade to be asked to Judge in another country.

Sharon is well known in the industry to be a great all round groomer. She is also proud to be an International Certified Master Groomer has her Cert IV Pet Stylist certificate as well as a Companion Animal Hygienist.

Sharon acted as Grooming Director for the Pet Industry of Australia in 2009 and has been a guest speaker for many events that have followed over the past 8 years here in Australia and overseas and was invited to judge 2015 Royal grooming competitions shows around the country.

Sharon enjoys sharing her 22 years' experience and knowledge in the Industry with others and helping groomers excel in their field.

Mrs Naomi Conroy (NSW)



Naomi enjoys a rewarding pet grooming career, starting out at the age of seventeen Naomi had her first grooming job at the local vet, she studied Vet nursing and was lucky to work with some amazing vets during her 8 year nursing career.

Having been a second generation pet groomer, she was busy on the weekends helping her mother in her mobile business.

Being drawn to grooming she started her mobile van business in 2000, during this time she studied for her IPG Masters Certification and NASH Academy diploma, all the while traveling around Australia and overseas to compete in grooming competitions.

Career highlights include wins in competitions with Bichons, Springer Spaniels, English Cocker Spaniels and Poodles and BIS at the PIAA ACT grooming competition in 2016 with her Bichon Hugo & BIS at the Canberra Grooming Championships in 2018 with Carla the Cocker Spaniel. Naomi has represented Australia twice internationally with the Australian Groom Team.

Naomi has a passion for training other groomers and currently works with Cert III & IV students in Pet Grooming, she has her Cert IV in Training Education and Assessment and loves seeing other groomers excel in the industry.

Naomi is also a International Certified Master Feline Groomer and an assessor for NCGIA and DGI. When she's not grooming or competing, Naomi is at confirmation shows with her Bichon Hugo and toy poodle Pandora, she also has two daughters Lacie (16months) and Tayla (6 years).

CLASSES

ASIAN FUSION 2 hours

BEAST TO BEAUTY

Under 30.4cms (12") 1 hour 30 minutes

30.4cms to 58.4cms (12" to 23") 2 hours

Over 58.4cms (23") 2 hours 15 minutes

GUNDOG

Under 40.6cms (16") 1 hour 30 mins

Over 40.6cms (16") 2 hours

Under 58.4cms (23") 2 hours for hand strip

Over 58.4cms (23") 2 hours 15 mins

POODLE

Under 30.4cms (12") 1 hour 30 minutes

30.4cms to 58.4cms (12" to 23") 2 hours

Over 58.4cms (23") 2 hours 15 minutes

POODLE SPRAY UP If spray up is required, 15 mins will be added to total time. (Spray time inclusive, does not need to be done in 15 mins, done when suits groomer within the total time)

SCHEDULE

Parking is free for exhibitors and members of the public.

You will have access to the Rotunda from 7am the morning of the competition. You will be given further information/directions at the time of entry.

Morning Schedule	Poodle/Beast to Beauty
8.00am	Pre-judging 30 minutes
8.30 am	Competition commences
10.45am	Competition completion
11am – 11.30am	Presentation/Verbal critiques

Afternoon Schedule	Asian Fusion/Gundog
12 noon	Pre-judging 30 minutes
12.30pm	Competition commences
3pm	Competition completion
3pm-3.30pm	Presentation/Verbal critiques
4pm	Best In Show

Please note, Best In Group winners go in the running for Best in Show.

SKILL LEVELS

There are 2 levels of grooming expertise in each competition being Open and Masters.

OPEN

Groomers who have won a novice class in a previous grooming competition or have over 2 years' experience, or a novice who voluntarily chooses this class. An Open groomer must move up to Masters when they have previously won at this level competing against 4 or more competitors. This applies to each class competed in.

MASTERS

Groomers who have won in the open class in a previous grooming competition or who voluntarily choose this class. (Certified Master Groomers do not have to enter at this level, they may choose Open or Master's level). CMG can enter Open or Masters based on competition history as per placing rule. CMG is a certification and does not denote what level is entered.

NB you will be disqualified should you enter and compete in a class into which you are not entitled to do so.

GENERAL INFORMATION

- In fairness to other contestants, contestants who are late will not be allowed to compete.
- All dogs must be crated or on a lead and supervised at all times.
- There will be a secure area provided for crates. Crates will not be permitted in the grooming station.
- Dogs not participating in the competition will not be permitted in the competition area exhibit area
- Current students and/or staff of the Judge/Organisers are restricted from entering the competition.
- The Ring Steward's role is to assist competitors and ensure the competition runs on time and to the rules specified.
- Sponsor grooming jackets will be provided
- Competitors will be ineligible to compete if coached or instructed by any judge with in the 8 weeks preceding the competition.
- Verbal critiques only
- Photographs of contestants and/or dogs taken by DOGS NSW and/or its authorised representative will be used for publication.
- All animal waste is to be picked up and placed in the bins provided
- It is your responsibility to clean up after your dog both inside and outside the venue, this includes all clipped hair.

PRE-JUDGING INFORMATION

- The judges will examine the dogs prior to the start of the various classes to determine overall cleanliness and the general condition of the coat.
- At this time dogs with insufficient coat growth, dogs with parasites, or dogs that have been excessively pre-trimmed may be dismissed from the ring or allowed to continue but will not be included in the final judging.
- Dogs should appear health and free of disease and parasites and should show no signs of aggression.
- All dogs must have a minimum of six (6) weeks growth. Adequate coat, therefore, will be defined as follows: the coat must be sufficient to allow the groomer to make a distinct change in the dog's appearance.
- All dogs must be shampooed and brushed, nails clipped, ears cleaned and free from hair and genital areas pre-trimmed prior to the class starting. (Please inform the judge with a reason if any of the above cannot be performed).
- Foot pads (underneath feet) may be pre-trimmed, and with Poodles only the entire foot may be clipped.
- Poodle's faces may be trimmed up to three weeks before competition but must be "fuzzy" enough to demonstrate proper line set and clipper expertise.
- Contestants will be required to wear closed toe shoes and dress appropriately in professional grooming clothing. Grooming jackets will be supplied by the Sponsor.
- No signage/labels/embroidery etc must be displayed that is in competition to our sponsor, Oster.

DURING THE COMPETITION

- A chaperoned toilet break (for all) will be offered through the competition. Contestant toilet breaks may be taken at any time, but the judge(s) must be informed and no extra time will be allowed for grooming (dog must remain in the ring with a replacement handler).
- All clipping, scissoring, stripping or plucking should be done in the ring during time frame given and not after time is called. No coaching and or comments/discussion from ringside are allowed and may result in the disqualification of the competitor.
- Dogs should not be left unattended.
- A 6'x4" (15cm x 10cm) printed picture without writing is permissible in the contest ring.
- Any injury to a dog, including clipper irritation, cuts or nicks, shall warrant disqualification at the judges' discretion.
- Rough handling of any dog will not be tolerated and may result in immediate disqualification.
- Any dog jumping or falling onto the floor may be disqualified at the judges' discretion but may continue for critique only after the judge has deemed the dog is ok to continue.
- Contestants must not have any conversation with any other person during the competition. If you are finished your time frame respect the competitors that are still grooming and remain quiet.
- All contestants must show sportsmanship towards all competitors, Judge, Ring Steward, and the Show Organisers and any members of the public. No swearing, abuse or behavior considered inappropriate by the judge and/or ring steward will be tolerated. Offenders will immediately be disqualified.

STRICTLY PROHIBITED

- Electronic devices of any manner - this includes mobile phones, iPad, I watches & headsets.
- Beverages NOT in spill proof containers
- There is to be strictly NO coaching by anyone, at any time, during the competition, including toilet breaks and toileting of dogs.
- Consumption of alcohol in the ring. Any competitor showing signs of being intoxicated or under the influence of drugs may be disqualified.

AT THE END OF THE COMPETITION

When you hear "tools down", contestants must stop all grooming procedures, except for combing. Spray up time will be allotted (15 minutes) for the poodle class only. Sprays or chalk may not be applied after the competition ends. If sprays or chinks are to be used, apply before competition end.

Competitors should remove all hair, equipment and products from the grooming table.

Please do not tidy the hair around your table until judging has been completed on your dog as this is a factor in the amount of change you have made to the dog.

Do not leave your dog unattended on the table at any time. Dogs should be presented to the judges in a stacked position. If your dog is distressed at any time, please allow your dog to relax.

A comb should be placed on the table in front of the dog for the judge to use during the technical evaluation. Contestant should stack his/her dog to present to judge.

Contestants may comb their dogs before and after the judge has evaluated their dogs.

WHAT WILL THE JUDGE BE LOOKING FOR – GENERAL INFORMATION

- The suitability of the trim to the dog's confirmation and breed profile.
- The quality of the clipper work.
- The pattern is placed correctly and evenly and clipped with the appropriate blade.
- Whether the groomer has used a blade complimentary to the coat (if there is no pattern and the body is clipped overall).
- The clipper lines on the face are straight and the clipper work is smooth with no tufts of hair around the lips or eye corners.
- The feet are clipped clean between the toes and the pads.
- The quality, uniformity and smoothness of the scissoring: whether the finish is like that of plush velvet, free or scissor marks. Whether the legs are scissored evenly and are of sufficient fullness to balance the dog. Whether the topknot and tail are properly shaped and in balance to each other.
- The degree of difficulty of the clip. This does not mean that fancy patterns should necessarily take precedence since scissor trims can be just as difficult with certain coat Textures.
- The dog's overall finished appearance with the emphasis on balance, symmetry and smoothness of finish. The trim should hold together when a comb is passed through the coat.
- The handling of the dog throughout the competition is compassionate and professional.

POODLE CLASS

Not permitted: decorative objects, colour sprays, glitter/bows, decorations, accessories, colouring, other than to enhance the natural colour of the dog's coat. Permitted: Holding sprays (provided the judge can comb through the coat) holding sprays and chalk for the headpiece to achieve breed profile (the judge will take this into account) chalk (provided the chalk does not rub off on the judge's hands in final judging). Sprays, styling gels and chalk is limited to what is usually used in the conformation show ring and they can be used prior and during the time allocated for the grooming comp only. Face: to be clipped during the competition Feet: the entire foot can be clipped before the class. Topknots: Scissored or banded topknots are permitted. All tie-up headpieces must be banded and completed within the time frame of the competition. The headpiece can be banded prior, BUT the bands will need to be taken out and re banded during the time frame. Moustache or beard is permitted but scissor teddy bear head are not permitted and will need to be entered in Salon Freestyle class.

GUNDOG CLASS

Not permitted: decorative objects, colour sprays, glitter/bows, decorations, accessories, colouring, other than to enhance the natural colour of the dog's coat. Permitted: Holding sprays (provided the judge can comb

through the coat) chalk (provided the chalk does not rub off on the judges' hands in final judging). Sprays, styling gels and chalk are limited to what is usually used in the conformation show ring and they can be used prior and during the time allocated for the grooming comp only. Grooming techniques permitted: clipping, snap on combs, scissoring, thinning, hand stripping (see hand stripping rules to qualify), plucking and carding, flat irons.

Hand stripped Dogs: Hand stripped dogs must be hand stripped with the appropriate tools or finger and thumb; visible pink or bald patches afterwards is undesirable. The hair must always be removed with the lay of the coat and without pain. Rotated coats on handstripped dogs are acceptable; however, the work done in the ring must be sufficient to allow the groomer to make a distinct change in the dog's appearance.

ASIAN FUSION

This is a class to show your talents in Asian influenced grooming. Any pure or mixed breed can be used. It is different to salon free style and must have the elements of Asian Influence in the styling. It will be judged on scissoring and clipping technique and the overall style and flare that is part of the Asian style of grooming. Not permitted: Anything that restricts the dog's movement. Grooming techniques permitted: clipping, snap on combs, scissoring, thinning, hand stripping, plucking and carding, flat and curling irons.

Permitted: You may use bows, bow ties and some clothing however this should not be excessive. Clothing must be able to be removed to show the groom underneath. I.e. the dog is stacked with clothing on them.

BEAST TO BEAUTY

This class will again showcase your talent. Use your grooming skills to change your hairy beast to a thing of beauty. This class is designed to show the public what you can do with their beloved dogs. Pure breeds to be styled to breed standard. Mixed breeds to be styled as you see fit. Not permitted: Decorative objects, such as bows, beads and glitter, except for those permitted in the conformation show ring for the drop coated breed head piece, such as the York- shire Terrier Maltese and Shih Tzu. No colouring. Permitted: Holding sprays (provided the judge can comb through the coat), Holding sprays and chalk for the headpiece to achieve breed profile (The judge will take this into account), chalk (provided the chalk does not rub off on the judges' hands in final judging). Sprays, styling gels and chalk are limited to what is usually used in the conformation show ring and they can be used prior and during the time allocated for the grooming comp only. Grooming techniques permitted: clipping, snap on combs, scissoring, thinning, hand stripping, plucking and carding, flat and curling irons.

**BY REGISTERING AND COMPETING YOU AGREE TO ALL AND ANY ADDITIONAL INFORMATION DOGS NSW
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