

BARMERA SHEEP DOG TRIAL

Dear Trialer,

I write to you, in anticipation to invite you to our annual Sheep Dog Trial.

The dates are June the 6th to June the 9th (Thursday to Sunday, Queen's Birthday June long weekend).

Our trial coincides with the South Australian Country Music Festival which is held here in Barmera. The Festival runs for a week leading up to, and including, our trial dates. It guarantees a supportive and large number of onlookers.

We will run the Novice class and its finals, on the Thursday (June 6th). If time and circumstances permit, we will then start on the Improvers that afternoon.

Saturday morning will see "The Running of the Sheep" down the main street of Barmera, to our trialling area. This spectacle brings hundreds of spectators to Barmera. We will then begin the Open class and continue with the added advantage of excellent floodlight quality trialling if need be.

A Trans Tasman event is planned for the Friday, and completion of the Open Class on Sunday. No trialling on Monday this year, as Country Music people head home on this day. It also gives you a full day to make tracks, also.

Caravans are welcome at the back of our change rooms or around on our beautiful lakefront. There is also a quieter very nice caravan park farther away on the lake. You can even bunk down in the changeroom if you wish. North Lake Caravan Park.

A practice trials paddock, complete with the four obstacles is also available for your use. It is only a few kilometres from town.

It will be a good, fun trial (38th year!) and "all we need is you". Please mark this one down as one not to miss! We very much look forward to receiving your entries.

Many thanks,



BOB CLARK (ORGANISER)



Barmera Sheep Dog Trail 2019

IMPORTANT INFORMATION



VENUE:

- Barmera-Monash Football Club Oval, Barmera, South Australia.

DATES:

- Trial: Thursday June 6th to Sunday June 9th.

ACCOMMODATION:

- Camping at ground area (limited power outlets though)
- Beautiful camping also around Lake Bonney right up to the Lake's edge. (Own power required)
- North Lake Caravan Park (around side of lake). Quiet, lake access for dogs, nice proprietors. \$30/night. Telephone: (08) 85887353.
- The Barmera Hotel Motel 85882111
- Barmera Lake Resort Motel 85882555
- Barmera Country Club 85882888
- Discovery Holiday Park 85882234

DOG EXERCISE:

- Along the foreshore of Lake Bonney past the last easterly most dwellings. Lovely beaches!
- Trial practice paddock with obstacles, 5km away.

CLASSES:

- Novice; Thursday morning
- Improver; Thursday afternoon and possibly evening.
- Trans Tasman; Friday and possibly evening also.
- Open; Saturday and Sunday, after the Saturday Running of the Sheep.

TRIALS DURATION:

- 15 minutes

FINALS:

- Novice immediately after draw has been completed (ie. Thursday)
- Open and Improver Sunday afternoon.

PRESENTATIONS:

- Sunday afternoon/evening immediately following the completion of the open and improver finals.
- An optional farewell tea in the club that evening

SCORE:

- Illuminated on a scoreboard for your perusal as you progress around the course, depending on judge.

STARTING TIME:

- Novice approx. 7:30am Thursday.
- Improver to follow Novice finals on the Thursday starting times for other classes will be announced on P.A.

NOMINATION FEES:

- To accompany nomination form return please.
- Cheques addressed to "BARMERA SHEEP DOG TRAIL" and **NOT** to Glossop High School thankyou. (I have retired!)

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PRIZE MONEY:

- Well over \$1000 in cash with placegetters also receiving medals and trophies!

POLO SHIRTS AND CAPS:

- Quality, embroidered memorabilia polo shirt available for \$40*
- Advise, with size, on nomination form.

NOMINATION CLOSING DATE: Wednesday May 22nd