



Wyedean mushing presents:

INVITATION TO
The Trekkhundklubb Triple

A three stage, team up race.

March 30 & 31st 2019

Forest of Dean

A new stage stop style dryland race for 2019.

Introduction:

A new 3 stage (two day / one night) run over a weekend in the Forest of Dean. Stages will include Staple Edge and Awes Glow. The stake out will be the same for both trails. Drivers will run as a team with another driver, with a combined pool of dogs between them and each will run each stage and have their 'team' times combined for a total time for the team.

New classes are introduced as well as a new trial dog sport classification, Skike-jor (dryland off road XC roller ski plus 1 x dog).

The drivers will be able to decide on the size of the team and which dogs from their teams' pool to use on each stage, it can differ from stage to stage and will not need to be declared prior to their teams start time, allowing for dogs to be rested, dropped or fresh dogs each stage to be used. Very tactical and great fun!

Rules will be based on current standard IFSS Race rules with additional specialist rules included on the bottom of the invitation.

Awards will be given to the top three teams in each class and also the club with the most points. (drivers to nominate a club to run under i.e. BSSF, Canicross Trailrunners, Wyedean Trekkhundklubb). Each Team will gain points for their club, the 5 highest scoring teams from

each club on each stage will go towards the clubs over all point tally during the weekend. The essence of the race is to promote a fun atmosphere, tactics and close competition.

Drivers will run in class on stage one, stage two and three will be fully seeded depending on trail times from the previous stage.

GENERAL:

1. Use of private motor vehicles on the trails is not allowed.
2. Participants may inspect the trail only on foot, on bike or scooters without dogs.
3. Entries only using the official entry form, the organisers reserve the right to refuse entry.
4. It is strictly forbidden to let dogs run loose at the event site including stake-out and parking areas, for the entire time of the event. Refusal to respect this requirement may lead to disqualification.
5. Each participant and team are responsible for the action of his/her handlers.
6. Nominated pool of dogs per team to be handed in at sign in (see form below).

LOCATION: Staple Edge and Mallards Pike Forest of Dean.

Directions: From Gloucester / M5 / follow signs for Littledean, then once through the village for Cinderford, take the steep up hill and then straight on at the bend at the top, past the Mount Pleasant Pub past the round about. Continue down the hill towards Speech House. Once through the dip at the bottom of the hill take the turning 400m's on the left into the forest through the Green metal 5 bar gate, please close after use and pop the chain over. Continue along the track for 1 mile until you reach the stake out, please park on the right hand side so others can pass.

From Coleford / Chepstow / South Wales / Bristol.

TECHNICAL ORGANIZER: Wyedean Mushing / Wyedean Trekkhundklubb

CATEGORIES:

All classes are a team-up of two drivers with a pool of dogs. No individual entries.

DRU – Dryland Rig Unlimited – All Breeds - Pool of 16 dogs – team size 4 - 8 (recommended trail is viewed on stages 1 & 3 due to hairpin) (four wheel rigs all wheels braking to be used if running over 8 dogs per stage / 3 wheels bat be used for 6 dog teams)

DRU RNB – Registered Nordic Breed Teams only – as above

Ages: 18+

DRL – Dryland Rig Limited – All Breeds - Pool 12 dogs – team size 2 - 4 (3 wheel rigs permitted)

DRL RNB – Registered Nordic Breed Teams only – as above

Ages : 16+

D2W – Dryland 2 wheeler – All breeds - Pool 6 dogs – team size 1 – 2 (Bike 1 dog or scooter 1 -2 dog teams)

D2W RNB – Registered Nordic Breed Teams Only – as above

Ages: 16+

DCS - Canisports – All Breeds - Pool 4 dogs – team size 1 dog (canicross or Skike-Jor 1 dog teams) **Ages: 14+**

DMU - Mix-up unlimited – All breeds - Pool of 14 dogs – mix of 1 x Rig unlimited / Rig limited / 2 Wheeler **Ages: 16+ (DRU classes 18+)**

DML - Mix-up Limited – All breeds - Pool of 8 dogs – mix of 1 x 2 wheeler and C

Canisport teams

Ages: 14+

REGISTRATION: All Registrations and payments shall be done according to this schedule:

- All registrations shall be sent to: Linda Thomas -
- The Entry form must be used .
- Registered Nordic Breed teams shall be marked on the entry form accordingly.
- Entry fees are not refundable unless race is cancelled prior to the start.

All participants must submit an Competitor Consent Form. For participants younger than 18 years old on the first day of the competition an Guardian Form must also be submitted.

Closing dates:

March 18th Normal Entries Close

March 23rd Late entries close (£10 extra pre team will be charged for late entries)

Immediately after March 24th - Team names will be published but not drivers names.

PARTICIPATION FEES: All Classes £55 per 'Team' (Per team = 2 Drivers – Driver 1 £27.50 + Driver 2 £27.50 = £55)

Multiple entries – discount of £10 per driver per class.

No individual entries – those without a team mate can request an entry and we will pair you up or place a 'wanted ad' on our facebook page for the race, The Trekkhundklubb Triple.

Entry fee payment must be made by via bank transfer or via PayPal or via cheque made payable to Wyedean Mushing (any returned cheques will be charged at £10 per returned item and other form of payment will be required). See instructions on Entry Form. If you have any questions, please contact Matt Hammersley or Linda Thomas

Bank details: Wyedean Mushing -

PayPal: race@wyedean-mushing.co.uk

RACE OFFICIALS:

Race Judges: Matt Hammersley & Rod Frost

Local coordinator: Linda Thomas

Trail Boss: Anthony Wilson

Animal Welfare Judge: To be announced

Trail Checkers / Communications : FoD land rover Group

Veterinarian: TBA

RACE REGULATIONS: IFSS Race Rules (<http://www.sleddogsport.net/library>).

Additional Rules:

RR.A.1 Teams shall be made up of two drivers with a pool of dogs between them.

RR.A.1.1 The pool must be declared on a chipping list & handed in when the driver checks in and collect their numbers prior to the start of the race.

RR.A.1.2 Dogs cannot be added to the pool once the chip list is handed in.

RR.A.1.3 The driver may decide how many dogs to run on their team until 4 minutes before their start time. After this time no more dogs can be added but dogs can be dropped from the team if required until 30 seconds before the start time.

RR.A.1.4 Teams sizes shall be within the minimum and maximum permitted for the classification.

RR.A.1.5: Normal IFSS Start rules shall apply.

Skike-Jor Specific

RR.A.2.1 A Skike-joring team consists of a competitor, racing solely on roller skis and being connected to one dog via a tugline. Its is recommended the Skis be fitted with a brake system.

RR.A.2.2 The driver shall use only the dogs nominated in their teams pool of dogs.

RR.A.2.3 All dogs shall be harnessed in a single file and shall be attached to the driver by a tugline with shock absorber at all time.

RR.A.2.4 The tugline shall be attached to the driver by a hip belt at least 7 cm (2 3/4 in) wide over the spine or any other harness type equipment. The belt shall have an open hook in order to make it easy to release the line, or a quick release connection (panic-snap).

RR.A.2.5 The length of the expanded tugline shall not be less than 2 meters (6.6 ft) in length and a maximum of 3 meters (9.8 ft) in length in the expanded condition as measured from the dog's rear to the racers belt buckle. It is prohibited to have any form of metal hook or ring at the driver's end of the line.

RR.A.2.6 The equipment shall be available for inspection by the race officials before and after the race if required.

RR.A.2.7 All entrants shall be responsible for making sure that their equipment meets the requirement of these rules.

Night Stage:

RR.A.3 All wheeled classes shall have a light fitted to the handlebars as well as the driver being equipped with a head lamp.

RR.A.4 Trail will be marked with reflective markers, Red, Blue & Yellow if required.

ANIMAL WELFARE: Participants shall meet the applicable requirements as per the IFSS RR Part VI.

INFORMATION AND ROOM RESERVATIONS, MEALS AND ACCOMMODATIONS:

EVENT PROGRAM (PROVISIONAL)

March 18th Normal Entries close

March 23rd Late Entries close

March 24th Publication of entered teams

March 30th Stake out Opens 6am

(Visiting teams from overseas or a greater distance may request a stake out for March 29th while the trails is being prepared, please contact the Race Marshall).

March 30th 8am – Drivers Meeting at Start Area

March 30th 9am – Race Start Stage 1 Staple Edge 1 – 4 milles +/-

March 30th 6pm – Race Start Stage 2 Awes Glow – 4 miles +/-

March 30th 11.30pm – Stake out to be vacated – no over night stopping (TBC)

March 31st 6am – Stake out opens

March 31st 8am – Race Start stage 3 Staple Edge 2 – 4 miles +/-

March 31st as soon as possible after last team has finished – Race Close and Awards Ceremony

The Trails:

Stage 1, 3 Staple Edge. Forest fire road with mix of hard pack dirt, smooth gravel and grass and grass covered gravel surface. Includes a steep climb 400m's from the start then 2.5 miles of fast trail mainly flat or gentle downhill including using the Happy Valley Hair Pin turn (it is recommended those running more than 4 dogs inspect the turn. The trail then runs around the long sweeping Coal Pit Valley then heading down to Mallards Pike Lakes before a long gentle incline back to the start Finish area on grass covered gravel trail.

Stage 2 Awes Glow night stage. From the Start the trail follows the Long grass covered, gently downhill trail of Awes Glow, look out for reflective markers down the trails length, you can't go wrong, the trail then passes between the Mallards Pike lakes, taking the Quest trail to the bottom of Spruce ride, climbing gently up to Lightmoore before dropping gently back down to the finish.

See pool dog list below

Pool Dogs

Team name:

Class:

Driver 1:

Dogs name	Age	Breed	microchip
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Driver2:

Dogs name	Age	Breed	Microchip no
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