

2026 NATIONAL RETRIEVING TRIAL CHAMPIONSHIP TASMANIA



Dogs Tasmania recently hosted the 2026 National Retrieving Championship. It was held in the Tasmanian Midlands over three days, the 11–13 September.

Judged by Mrs Kate Eltringham from Victoria and Mr Michael Mason from South Australia. Kate judged runs 2, 4 and 6; Michael runs 1,3 and 7; runs 5 and 8 were co-judged.

The National is the most prestigious event in the Retrieving Calendar and consists of eight runs, with at least seventeen items to be retrieved. Dogs must qualify to enter, there were two previous winners along with many Retrieving Champions and a couple of Grand Retrieving Champions in the schedule. Thirty-five dogs were entered with competitors travelling from Western Australia, South Australia, Victoria and New South Wales to join several local entries.

Two runs were conducted on the Friday, three runs on Saturday and three on the final day. Twenty Four dogs made it through to the second day, with twelve dogs going into Sunday. Nine dogs completed the trial

The National was won by Paige Hamilton from New South Wales with RT CH Redcypher Russell Falls. Paige is the first female to win.

Second was Russell Best (VIC) with RT CH Richfields My Dixie Belle. Mark Davis (VIC) with RT CH Beereegan Double Or Nothin CM was third with Brian Williamson (VIC) and RT CH Oaklabs Buster, fourth. Fifth place went to Joe Vella with GR RT CH NTL RT CH Terranaut Pawsey CM.

Four other dogs completed the trial they were: Ray Ashenden and GR RT CH NTL RT CH Nativerun Angus; Richard Carr and RT CH Tirnanoge Black Lion; Paul Littlejohn and GR RT CH Nativerun Bracken CM; and Glenn Hartney and Braznfeld Genesis.

The trial was run by a small committee made up of John Aherne (Chair), Paul and Margie Littlejohn, Scott Castle, Paul Hennessey, Phil Lee and Susie Partridge. Our Trial Manager was Noel Eltringham from Victoria and Run Managers were John Nairn, who travelled from South Australia, and Scott Castle. We could not have conducted the trial without the support of our many stewards and helpers.



Entries Close: Online - 24 OCTOBER 2026 Postal - 17 OCTOBER 2026

WESTBURY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY INC CHAMPIONSHIP SHOWS SATURDAY 7 NOVEMBER 2026 – AM/PM to be held at

WESTBURY SHOWGROUNDS, WESTBURY

Proudly sponsored by: **COMMUNITY BANK, DELORAINE & DISTRICTS**

Please Note: There are two Shows a separate entry form is required for each

JUDGES & ORDER OF JUDGING:



AM SHOW

RING 1 – Mr R. BERWICK (VIC)

Groups 2, 5, 6 & Show Specials

RING 2 – Mrs E. COOMBS (VIC) – Groups 3, 1, 7 & 4

PM GROUP SHOWS

RING 1 – Mrs E. COOMBS (VIC)

Groups 2, 5, 6

RING 2 – Mr R. BERWICK (VIC) – Groups 1, 7, 3 & 4

(The committee reserves the right to re-allocate groups and/or breeds to a substitute judge should it be deemed necessary)

JUDGING COMMENCES

8.30 am and will run continuously with lunch breaks taken in each ring at convenient times – Junior Handlers – after PM Show – sponsored by **COMMUNITY BANK, DELORAINE & DISTRICTS**

CLASSES TO BE JUDGED: 1, 3, 4, 5, 9, 10, 11 Dogs 1A, 3A, 4A, 5A, 9A, 10A, 11A Bitches

ENTRY FEE: \$15 per class – \$9 Baby Puppy

PARKING FEE: \$8 PARKING FEE is to be paid with entry for parking on the Showgrounds – person at gate will mark you off the exhibitor's and vehicle pre-paid list – No passes will need to be sent

CATALOGUES: \$6 pre-paid with entries, \$8 on the day

SASHES: All Group & Show Specials – BOB Sash will be available from the ring steward on request – EXTRA 'Breeder of BEST IN SHOW' Sash – donated by **COMMUNITY BANK, DELORAINE & DISTRICTS**

TROPHIES: All Show Specials, Best & Runner-up in Group and as donated **THESE ARE 'CASH & SASH' SHOWS**

EVENT MANAGER: Miss P. Summers – 0439 338 634

No Challenges/BOB for Dachshunds due to the Dachshund National Show

In Group cards to be ordered at completion of each group

Online entry available through SHOW MANAGER

Numbers to be collected on the day

Breed list will be published on the TCA website and TCA Facebook page

All postal entries and remittances to:

WESTBURY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY INC

C/- Show Manager, PO Box 78, Waterford West QLD 4133

*** DEFINITELY NO RINGSIDE SET-UPS BEFORE 6.30 am – THANK YOU ***

** CAMPING ALLOWED FRIDAY NIGHT ONLY – booking preferred – \$25 (per vehicle) payable with entries **

Anne's well stocked kiosk with fresh, yummy food including, homemade delights will be available –ALL DAY – Enjoy

Please see Club Notes on page 35



Show Manager
Online Entries Available
www.showmanager.com.au