

PEMBROKE CHAMPION CHALLENGE

EVENT CHAIRMAN ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES; INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:

- Create & manage event budget as approved by BOD/Show Chair.
- Coordinate and communicate with Show Chair/PWCCA BOD; provide regular status updates for the purpose of coordinating necessary efforts to ensure event is a success.
- Select, coordinate and communicate with event judges.
- Communicate, process and confirm entries with the invitees.
- Coordinate, prepare and finalize all information/content required for event catalog and printing.
- Plan and coordinate the menu with the hotel and show chair.
- Obtain attendees menu choices and coordinate with the hotel and show chair.
- Plan and coordinate the decorations and venue set up.
- Confirm the availability of all equipment necessary to conduct the competition.
- Form and communicate a Champion Challenge committee which may include an assistant, tabulators, method of tabulation and stewards.
- Coordinate with Show Chair in order of ribbons and awards.
- Arrange for items to be transported to the venue.

COMPETITION ELIGIBILITY:

Dogs eligible for this competition are the Best of our Breed, dogs and bitches must meet the following criteria:

REQUIRED <i>Achieved prior or during qualifying period</i>	AT LEAST ONE of the following title(s) <i>achieved during qualifying period</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• AKC Champion of record• Breeder(s) and/or Co-Owner(s) must be a PWCCA member• Dog may be spayed or neutered.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Best in Show - BIS (<i>BOB</i>)• Reserve Best in Show - RBIS (<i>BOB</i>)• Best of Breed - BOB Specialty (<i>National or Regional</i>)• Best of Opposite Sex - BOS Specialty (<i>National or Regional</i>)• Select Dog/Bitch – SD/SB (<i>National or Regional</i>)• Grand Champion Platinum• Grand Champion Gold• Grand Champion Silver• Grand Champion Bronze

The Champion Challenge qualifying period is based on point standing in breed (total of Pembrokes defeated) or all-breed (total of dogs defeated) as published by the American Kennel Club and PWCCA National & Regional specialty results; preceding year calendar year (January – December) in order to receive an invite to participate in the Champion Challenge at the PWCCA National Specialty of the current year if offered.

NOTE: *In its inaugural year, (2018) qualifying period may be revised to ensure ample eligible participants.*

- No Dog that is owned, co-owned, bred, co-bred, or shown by any member of the Event Committee or the Judge(s), or a member of their family as defined by AKC rules can compete in the event. The dog, if qualified, can be listed in the event catalog and shown for exhibition only.
- (Future Events if applicable) Previous year's Champion Challenge winner is ineligible to compete in the current year's competition, but is eligible to show as an "*Exhibition Only*" entry and appear in the catalog. This ensures that no one dog wins the competition multiple years in a row and only applies to the previous year's winner.

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- Breeder(s) and/or Co-Owner(s) of Champion Challenge Invitational dog must in good standing with AKC & PWCCA at the end of qualifying period and remain in good standing in order to participate in the event.
- A finalist will only be allowed to compete if the exhibitor (owner/agent) attends the briefing held prior to the event for the purposes of assigning arm band numbers and reviewing event details.
- All participants agree to abide by any and all Rules as may become effective through authorization of the Event Committee and/or PWCCA.

JUDGES SELECTION PROCESS:

The Judges are selected by the Champion Challenge Committee and are kept a secret until the event. At no time will a person, who is a member of the Committee, participate in judges' selection if they are deemed ineligible by criteria listed in competition eligibility. The secrecy of the judging panel is significantly different from the judging typically seen, in that the owners of the Champion Challenge dogs enter this show based on the merits of their dogs - not on who is judging the competition.

JUDGES PANEL CRITERIA (2 Judge Selection Process):

1. A Pembroke Welsh Corgi AKC licensed breeder judge as first breed, or, meet 2 of the following 4 criteria:
 - Must have owned or co-owned Pembrokes for at least 12 years.
 - Must have bred/co-bred a minimum of 5 litters of Pembrokes, finishing at least 4 champions.
 - Must have received a certificate of completion for the PWCCA Judges Education Committee program at the National Specialty.
 - Must have judged a regional specialty or a supported entry of a PWCCA affiliate club.
2. A Pembroke Welsh Corgi non-licensed breeder judge (not necessarily AKC) must meet the following criteria:
 - Must have owned a Pembroke Welsh Corgi for a minimum of 12 years.
 - Must have bred/co-bred at least 5 litters of Pembrokes.
 - Must have finished championships on at least 4 Pembrokes bred or co-bred.
 - Must have judged a Pembroke Welsh Corgi sweepstakes at a PWCCA affiliate club specialty.
 - In addition, must have judged Pembrokes at 4 AKC sanctioned matches, open shows or Pembroke Welsh Corgi Sweepstakes at specialty or all-breed shows.
 - Must have stewarded at least 6 times at all-breed, open or specialty shows or AKC sanctioned matches.
 - Must hold membership in an all-breed or Pembroke Welsh Corgi specialty club.
 - Not AKC approved, has applied or is intending to apply for an AKC license at the time of the election.
 - Foreign individuals must meet equivalent requirements in their home country.
3. A multi-breed AKC licensed judge, licensed to judge Pembroke Welsh Corgis and following criteria:
 - Must have at least minimum of 12 years or more years documented experience in the breed.
 - Must have bred/co-bred at least 5 litters, finishing at least 4 champions on record.
 - Must have completed the PWCCA Judges Education Committee program at National Specialty.
 - Preferably a judge with recent history within the breed.

CHAMPION CHALLENGE GUIDE:

Procedures for the Champion Challenge Invitational may be changed at the Committee's discretion.

The Chairperson of the Committee shall designate a specific time and place for group photos. All participating dogs must be present with their handlers. Instructions on judging procedures, ring patterns and score-sheet

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explanation will be done at the pre-event meeting. At this time, dogs will be assigned their number and order for competition. Once the order is assigned, it will not be changed. This meeting is **MANDATORY** – due to the nature and staging of this event, any dog not represented at the pre-event meeting will not be eligible for competition.

All judges, stewards and committee members shall be instructed on how to use and tabulate the score-sheets prior to the event.

All awards must be claimed during the National Specialty. The Committee is not responsible for packaging or mailing awards not claimed, unless other arrangements have been made prior to the conclusion of the event. Shipping is the sole responsibility of the winner of the award, otherwise it will be considered forfeited.

INVITATIONS:

1. Official owner on record of Champion Challenge finalist will be sent an invitation to participate in event; Committee is not responsible for undeliverable invitation due to incorrect address. Entry fee to be returned with the entry form and other required information accompanying the invitation.
2. Invitations to appear for Exhibition only will be sent to previous winners and/or exhibitors of the event. The opportunity to purchase a page of advertising in the catalog and a ribbon(s) is available for nominal fees.

CATALOG:

1. A catalog will be prepared for the Champion Challenge event. They will be available only through PWCCA National RSVP process and may be picked at the show or night of the event. Catalogs will only be mailed to invited participants who have accepted to participate and/or wish to place a catalog ad; no other requests will be accepted.
2. The catalog will contain a one page spread for each exhibitor, with photograph and text supplied by the dog's owner or agent. The catalog also contains score sheets and judging procedures, a profile of each judge, and a page listing all of the previous winners, the judges, and the year in which they won.
3. Ad requirements for catalog:
 - Full Page (4 1/2" x 7 1/2") WITH OR WITHOUT PHOTOS**NOTE** *Advertisement must meet publication standards set by PWCCA, Inc.*

TROPHIES, ROSETTES AND CERTIFICATES OF ELIGIBILITY:

1. The owner of the winner of the event, will receive 8" Inch Revere Pewter Bowl.
2. All invited Champion Challenge exhibitors will receive one formal rosette.
3. Co-owners and Breeders of invited finalists may purchase additional rosettes by ordering on the order form at the time the entry is made. The total number of additional rosettes ordered may not exceed the number of listed breeders and co-owners of the finalist.
4. Invited Champion Challenge exhibitors responding "No" to the invitation and not in attendance at the event will be noted in the catalog.

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CHAMPION CHALLENGE GENERAL INFO:

Invitations will be sent to the owner of each eligible dog at least eight weeks prior to the closing date. Also, a listing of qualifying PWCCA member dogs for current qualifying year and event details will be posted on the PWCCA National Specialty website.

Formal/Cocktail attire preferred for all attendees & event participants; no shorts or jeans.

ENTRY FEE

- Entry of each invited Pembroke \$65.00
Includes catalog and ribbon for each exhibitor (per entry, not Owner/Co-Owner).
- **CHAMPION CHALLENGE ENTRIES CLOSE WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2018. MAIL ENTRY** with Fees Payable to **PWCCA, INC.**, 11623 Timberly Park Ln, Cypress, TX 77433-1659. No entries will be accepted after the closing date.

FOLLOWING ITEMS MAY BE PURCHASED ONLY THROUGH PWCCA NATIONAL SPECIALTY ONLINE RSVP

CATALOG ADVERTISING

- Exhibitor Included in Entry Fee
- Color Rate \$65.00
- Black & White \$45.00
- Non-PWCCA Members *Add Additional \$20.00*
- **CHAMPION CHALLENGE CATALOG DEADLINE WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29, 2018.** Send catalog advertising material to: Jason C Klawinski & Russell Allen; E-Mail: jckrla@me.com

EVENT FEES

- Cash Bar Available
- Sponsored Seating (*Reserved Ringside Table of 8 guests*) \$400.00
 - *Includes hors d'oeuvres, dessert bar and catalog per guest.*
- General Reserved Seating (*Individual*) \$50.00
 - *Includes hors d'oeuvres, dessert bar and catalog.*
- General Non-Reserved Admission (*Individual*) \$30.00
 - *Includes catalog only.*

CHAMPION CHALLENGE CATALOG

- Pre-Sale \$15.00
- Catalog (*Limited quantities will be available*) \$25.00

WINE PULL FUNDRAISER

- Ticket (1) \$20.00
To add to the excitement of the evening, the Committee will hold a Wine Pull in which attendees purchase chances at \$20 & and then select matching number to wrapped bottle of wine to take home.

JUDGING PROCEDURE

Score-sheets and each dog's total score are tabulated by the Champion Challenge Committee or a Champion Challenge member in the following manner:

1. While in the ring, a judge's conversation with their stewards must be confined to questions of procedure.

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2. Dogs will be called in one at a time into the ring to be judged individually. Each exhibitor will enter the ring and go around, then pose (free stack) in the center of the ring for a few seconds. The Judges will assign their **'Overall Impression Score'**.
 - **'Overall Impression Score'**: The Judges' first impression of the dog upon entering the ring, prior to the examination, and is based on a 1-10 scale with 10 being the highest score. The judge must look at the dog's *"Positive breed type virtue as a whole package"* and place the dog on his/her scale - 10 reflects the judge's interpretation of the ideal Pembroke Welsh Corgi. The **'Average Overall Impression Score'** is calculated by averaging the judges **'Overall Impression Score'** of each dog.
3. After the judges have assigned their **'Overall Impression Score'**, exhibitor will be asked to move their dog down and back three-fourth across the ring smoothly. Without discussion, Judges will record their score on the score-sheet for gait and movement. Exhibitor will be asked to move to the examination table.
4. The Judges will individually examine and score each dog on the table as he/she sees fit; without discussion, Judges will then record their score on the score-sheet. The exhibitor will then circle the ring and exit.
 - Upon completion of judging dogs, Judges place completed SIGNED score-sheet in provided envelope; no further changes allowed.
5. The above steps will be repeated until all competing dogs have been evaluated & scored. After the last dog has been judged and exited the ring, all Champion Challenge exhibitors re-enter the ring, make one full circle and then make a final exit.
6. People's Choice is an opportunity to increase attendees' participation involvement in the evening festivities. Participants will receive a paper ballot - Champion Challenge People's Choice Ballot in their catalog and, at this time, asked to rank their top three dogs using armband number in ranking of highest to lowest (in order of preference 1st - 10 pts., 2nd - 5 pts., 3rd - 1pt.) or your vote will not be counted. Ballots will be collected after the completion of judging and tabulated by the Committee, winner being announced after the announcement of Champion Challenge.

NOTE: Paper ballot may be replaced with electronic process if electronic device can be implemented prior to start of event.
7. Exhibitors will have an opportunity to rest their dogs backstage for approximately 10-15 minutes.
8. Exhibitors and dogs will be called back into the ring individually (name of the dog, breeders, owners and handler *(if applicable)* will be announced). Making a half circle of the ring, exhibitor will come to the middle of the ring to accept their rosette, and then move to their designated spot along the ring.
9. The presentation of the winner will be made this time:
 - Immediately upon completion of judging, the judges' score-sheets will be tabulated by the Committee with the winner being announced at the discretion of the Champion Challenge Committee, within the following time frame – immediately following the Event.
 - The judges' score-sheets of each individual dog are tabulated, added together, then divided by number of judges to determine the **'Average Final Placement Score'**. The dog with the highest **'Average Placement Score'** will be declared the winner.

In the event of a tie in the Average Placement Scores, the winner will be determined using a calculation of the **'Average Overall Impression Score'** and the highest number of **'Champion Challenge People's Choice'** 1st Placements. If a tie still exists between two dogs in the Average Overall Impression Score & Champion Challenge People's Choice Ballot, there will be two winners.