

# New River Rapids Falling For Flyball 2021 November 6-7, 2021

## Welcome Letter

Welcome to NRR's "Falling For Flyball 21" tournament! Even with the inconveniences of the pandemic, we're so glad to be back hosting and looking forward to a fun-filled weekend.

Regional Director is Amanda Brown. Thank you, Amanda, for all you do to make our region fun, welcoming, and fair!

Please check our web site [www.nrrflyball.org](http://www.nrrflyball.org) and links for information including directions, seeding chart, and racing schedule. Big thanks to our judges: Dirk Elber and Patricia Howell.

If you need any additional information concerning the tournament, please get in touch with Sharon Harrell [saharrell@gmail.com](mailto:saharrell@gmail.com) or text or call 540 552 1351.

## Schedule:

Friday	4:00 p.m.	Building Opens. Setup help is always welcome!
	6:00 p.m.	(Approximately) Single Dog racing/Mat Time. You may rent one lane for \$5 or both lanes for \$10 for 5 minutes.
Saturday	7:00 a.m.	Building Opens
	7:20 a.m.	Measuring
	7:45 a.m.	Captains Meeting
	8:00 a.m.	Racing begins
	5:00 p.m.	Approximate end of racing
Sunday	7:00 a.m.	Building Opens
	7:30 a.m.	Racing Begins
		<b>Raffle drawing after Race 98</b>
	3:30 p.m.	Approximate end of racing

## **No Mask, No Play**

We will be strictly enforcing the "No Mask, No Play" rule. Properly fitting (covering the nose and mouth) masks must be worn at all times inside the building. Gaiters and face shields may not be substituted for masks.

## **Only Outside Crating**

We regret that in order to reduce the number of bodies in the building we are not offering indoor crating. (We are looking forward to April!)

## **Traffic Flow**

On Deck teams will wait in the hallway and enter the gym through the side doors after the first heat of the previous race. Box loaders should come in in plenty of time to move boxes so that warmup can start promptly.

## **Racing Schedule, Format, and Scoring**

We have a full racing schedule planned. The seeding and format for each division, as well as the racing schedules, can be found on our website:

[www.nrrflyball.org](http://www.nrrflyball.org)

Scoring for all divisions will be one point for each heat won and two points for winning the race. No points for tied heats. One point for tied races. Warm-ups will be 2 minutes. We will be printing C-2's including dogs for all teams. Captains, please check and initial your C-2's on Saturday morning.

### **Placement in case of ties:**

Ties will be decided based on the following criteria:

1. Fastest time in the division
2. Fastest time head to head
3. If still tied, a tie breaker race (2 of 3 heats)

### **Practice Starts in all Divisions:**

All Divisions will have the opportunity for a practice start. At the end of warm up when the whistle has sounded, there will be a quick period given for the starters to get a practice start with the lights. If your team wants a practice start, please let the judge know before the end of warmup.

## **General Information**

### **Site**

Please help us continue to make a positive impression at the Community Center!

- Information about which teams are racing, on deck and in the hole will be available on <http://flyballgeek.com> We'll have signs with the exact URL posted.
- PLEASE remember that the Blacksburg Community Center, including the parking lots, is an Alcohol-free and Smoke-free area.
- PLEASE pick up after your dogs and take care of your own trash from your crating area.
- RV parking is permitted in the assigned spaces only for those who have made prior arrangement. RV Parking Assignments Map is being sent to all Captains.

## **Awards and Gifts**

We have gifts for competitors which will be distributed at the Captain's meeting on Saturday.

We have a limited number of title ribbons available (because of the unexpectedly long lead time for the ribbon order we were not able to refresh our supply.) These are self-serve. If your dog earned a title and we don't have a ribbon available, and you'd like a ribbon, please enter that information on the list at the ribbon table and we'll send it to you. We've ordered the ribbons for "big titles" and they will be sent when they arrive.

## **Hospitality Table**

We will have our traditional Hospitality Table with coffee and tea and a more limited selection of snacks and goodies. It will be located on the score table side of the racing lanes. Please help yourself – and we hope you'll also leave a contribution for the Montgomery County Humane Society. As with everything else this weekend, please don't linger inside.

## **Raffle**

We'll have a "traditional" raffle with many exciting baskets and items. There will also be a "special" raffle for a beautiful handmade quilt.

## **Food Trucks**

We will have a Food Truck at our tournament! Hours approximately 10-2 each day.

- Saturday and Sunday: "Chef Loren's Food Truck"  
<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100071971412015>

### **Photographer:**

We're very pleased that Jasmine Sanders <https://www.facebook.com/JasmineCSandersPhoto/> will be with us this weekend!

We will also have a Photo Op area for "home" photos.

### **Tugs by Emily Getty:**

Emily Getty (Fur Fun) will have lots of tug materials and options for custom colored tugs. See Emily among the Fur Funnies.

### **Medical and Veterinary Emergencies:**

There are several veterinarians who will be running dogs this weekend. Come see us first – and if need be we can refer to local vets.

For humans:

Montgomery Regional Hospital  
3700 South Main Street, Blacksburg, VA

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS! -- We're hope to get back to "Normal" with**

**Fools For Flyball, April 2-3, 2022**

