

TRIATHLON AND BEGINNER TRIATHLON COMPETITION August 26- 29, 2020

In an effort to show the natural abilities and versatility of our little hounds PBGVCA will hold its 5th annual Triathlon competition during the 2020 Wilmington, Ohio Regional and National specialties. The Triathlon was started to encourage PBGV owners to try training their PBGVs and to participate in companion and performance events. It has been a huge success. Owners and their PBGVs are having fun training and finding comradery with fellow competitors.

There will be two levels of Triathlon Awards available, the **Triathlete Award** and **Beginner Triathlete Award**. For the Triathlete Award your PBGV needs to qualify in three different (agility, obedience, rally, scent work) companion/performance disciplines. For the Beginner Triathlete Award your PBGV must enter three different disciplines and qualify in two of them. With the exception that one of those qualifying disciplines for the Beginner Triathlete can be exchanged for earning one of the following (only one) CGC, CGCA, or a Trick Dog title. Qualifying scores and titles must be earned during the 2020 Regional and National events.

All participants will receive a commemorative token for entering the Triathlon. Each PBGV achieving the Beginner Triathlete or Triathlete Award will also receive an additional prize.

DISCIPLINES AND CLASSES THAT COUNT TOWARD THE TRIATHLON

Agility – Any qualifying score in the Regional or National Agility trial will count towards a Triathlete Award. Regular or Preferred height.

Obedience – Any qualifying score in the Regional or National Obedience trials will count towards a Triathlete Award. With the following exceptions: Beginner Novice only counts toward the Beginner Triathlon. Veteran's obedience class for dogs age 7 or older must score a 170 or higher to count towards the Triathlete Award.

Rally – Any qualifying score in the Regional or National Rally trials will count towards the Triathlete Award.

Scent Work – Any qualifying score in the Regional or National Scent Work trials will count towards a Triathlete Award.

CGC, CGCA, or Trick Dog – Earning a CGC, CGCA, or a Trick Dog title can count as one of your two qualifying scores towards the Beginner Triathlete Award.

TRIATHLON RULES

All PBGVs must enter at least 3 different disciplines. For the Beginner Triathlete Award your PBGV must qualify in at least two different disciplines. For the Triathlete Award your PBGV must qualify in at least 3 different disciplines.

If your PBGV only qualifies in two different disciplines (must enter three) no matter the level you're qualifying scores came from your award will be Beginner Triathlete.

Only qualifying scores from the 2020 PBGVCA Regional and National events will count towards the Triathlete Awards.

Your PBGV must compete in a class that your dog is eligible for under AKC rules.

Spayed, neutered, ILP/PAL registered PBGVs are eligible to compete.

No additional cost to compete for the Triathlete Awards

You must declare you are competing for a Triathlete award and list the classes you will be competing in by August 5th, 2020 on the Triathlon entry form. A Triathlon form will be provided in Saber Tails to copy and mail or scan and email. The Triathlon form will also be in the premium list and online at www.pbgv.org Click the Triathlon link on the left hand side of the 2020 PBGVCA National event information. Forms may be emailed to tvllwill@aol.com and must have Triathlon in the subject line or mail to Vickie Willmann 597-S 1000-E, Marion, IN 46953. **If you have any questions, please contact Vickie Willmann at tvllwill@aol.com or (765) 618-2324.**