

2014 SOUTH MISSISSIPPI DACHSHUND RACES



WHEN/WHERE: Saturday, October 25, 2014 at the Laurel Fairgrounds located on Hwy 11 (exit 93 off I-59) in Laurel, MS. A map of where to enter/park, etc. will be emailed or mailed to all registrants. All owners and dogs should be pre-registered and signed-in on race day between 11 a.m. and 12:30 p.m.

WHAT TO I DO WHEN I GET THERE?: All entrants and their humans can enter the fair at the vendor/exhibitor gate. You will be allowed in through the fair fence with special parking next to the event. At the vendor gate a guard will allow 2 people into the Fair for FREE and any others in your party will be charged \$5 fair admission. There will be a large area for your dog(s). Please be prepared with leashes, kennels, etc. All dogs must be leashed. No dogs in heat will be allowed. There will be water bowls and treats in the dog area.

WHAT WILL THE RACE BE LIKE?: This is a fun event – nothing intimidating. All dogs will be placed in races by age category. Seven to 8 dogs will “race” down a 40-foot track (walled) from the hands of one human to the arms of another human. The handlers can use items they want to entice their pup to make it to the other side. Most likely that will be balls, squeaky toys or treats as Doxies LOVE them! Please do not throw anything. There will no people food allowed – only dog treats.

Winners of each heat will advance to the championship race for each age group. All heat winners will win a ribbon. The Grand Champion of each age group will win a Grand Prize. All racers will receive doggy bags filled with gifts from our wonderful sponsors.

WHAT ARE THE OTHER CONTESTS THAT DAY?: All Doxies (including those not racing) can enter any of the other contests that are applicable. Best coat male and female (Dogs will be judged on the beauty of its coat and overall beauty), Best dressed male (Costume contest), Best dressed female (Costume contest). First through third place winners will receive ribbons.

WHO BENEFITS FROM THESE RACES? This is a fundraiser for the Laurel/Jones County Animal Rescue League, a no-kill animal shelter and foster program located at 2511 Moose Drive in Laurel, MS. This non-profit, (501c3) houses up to 70 dogs and cats at any given time, while also facilitating a foster program. It's mission is to find forever homes for these precious animals and to educate the public on the need for spay and neuter of your pets. Please visit our website at www.animalrescueleaguelareel.com or our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/animalrescueleaguelareel. Please contact Kim Wheat at 601-319-5892 or laureldoxieraces@gmail.com with any questions.

FACILITIES BEFORE AND AFTER THE RACES: There will be a designated area for racers and their families with water available and some kennels. We will make every effort to place all dogs into heats at registration so that the races will be as orderly as possible. Please come with an open mind as we know that our Doxies have minds of their own. There will be an announcer on a sound system to keep everything coordinated.

After the races, the ARL is offering doggy-sitting for those of you who want to enjoy the Fair. We will have a staff of volunteers capable of dotting over your baby for up to 1.5 hours after the event is over. We want you and your family to enjoy the great South Mississippi Fair. Tips are welcome J