

**79th ANNUAL ARROYO GRANDE VALLEY HARVEST FESTIVAL
WIENER AND "WANT TO BE" DOG RACE
SEPTEMBER 24, 2016 RACE RULES AND REGISTRATION**

Registration is \$10, a donation to **Foxy Doxy Dachshund Rescue**. Only 75 total dogs will be eligible to enter. Ribbons and a prize basket will be given to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place wieners. All racers will be given a doggie bandana and goodie bag.

* Only Dachshunds may enter the Young or Adult Divisions. This does not mean they have to be AKA registered. If it looks like a wiener it will be considered a wiener.

* For the Doxy Mix/Doxy "want to be division": All dogs must be under 25 lbs. and are not required to have any dachshund in them (i.e. chweenies, mini poodle, pug)

* You must be registered to race and at the race area when your division is called.

* All dogs must be at least 1 year of age or older and have had their current boosters and license! Please be sure your animal is current on DHPP, Rabies, and (suggested) Bordetella vaccines. Parvo and Kennel Cough are highly contagious to young and older dogs, but can even affect a seemingly healthy dog on occasion!

* All dogs must have 2 people to race, 1 as a releaser and 1 as a catcher. Registration must be made separately for each dog. Minors may participate, but they must be accompanied by a parent or guardian for the check-in.

* **Absolutely NO throwing your dog on to the track, they must be held until the "GO" and just let go. To win your dog must stay in its lane.**

* Humans and dog must check-in at the race area at least 1 hour before race time to pick up goodie bags and race information.

* Failure to follow rules may result in disqualification.

* Humans at the finish line must remain entirely behind designated line until **all** dogs have crossed the finish line.

* Per the city's leash law, please keep your pet on a leash in the outdoor area at all times until it is your turn to race! Owners are required to clean-up their dog's accidents. Dogs should be on their best behavior (i.e. no fighting or biting) and will be asked to leave if unruly.

* The number of qualifying heats will be dependent on the total number of registered dogs. For example, if 25 dogs are registered, there will be 5 qualifying heats with a maximum of 5 dogs per race. The first and second place dogs from each heat will compete in the race semi-finals and finals.

* The races will take place on an approximate 20 x 50 foot track and the win will be determined by the first dog to cross the finish line of the track and has stayed in his or her race lane. Ties will be broken by a secondary run immediately following heat in which tie occurred.

* You may bring your dog's favorite toy. No food (human or dog food) or other pets are allowed in immediate race area. No waving blankets or other large items.

* These rules may be modified at any time by event organizers.

* **DO NOT LEAVE ANY ANIMALS IN YOUR CAR!!** Event staff will have the right to involve the proper authorities if we feel an animal is at risk.

The purpose of this event is to have FUN. Judges' decisions are final and not open to discussion – sometimes it's a close call. For the safety of everyone concerned, event organizers reserve the right to refuse participation to humans who cannot follow the rules. Please contact us with any questions!

Registration – Cut off for registration is 12 pm the day of the race or as soon as all spaces are filled: Send entry form and check to: **Foxy Doxy**, P.O. Box 1213, Templeton, CA 93465.

Fee: \$10.00 per dog. Registration may be submitted by mail. The registration table will be set up the evening prior to race at Heritage Square Park between 5 and 7 pm and between 9 am and 11 am the day of the race.

Race Schedule/Race Divisions: **Please check-in at least 1 hour before race times** to pick up your dog's goodie bag and race information. After check-in please arrive at least 10 minutes prior to start time.

1:15 p.m. Young Adult Division – Ages 1 Year up to 7 Years

1:40 p.m. Adult Division - Ages 7 Years and up

2:00 p.m. Doxy mixes/Doxy "want to be" (dogs do not have to have any doxy in them to qualify for this division) – Ages 1 year and up and dogs must be under 25 lbs

Awards: Ribbons and prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in each race division after all dogs have raced at approximately 3:00 pm.

Information – Call Terrie Leivers at 805-474-8514 or E-mail: terrieleivers@gmail.com

****This is a rain or shine event – No refunds****

The Thunder of Paws... The Thrill of Victory...The Whine of Defeat!

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WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY**

Saturday, September 24, 2016, Arroyo Grande, California

Please print clearly:

Owners Name: _____

Dog's Name: _____ (M) (F) **Dog's Age** _____

Doxy Division (pure doxy): _____ **Want To Be Division (doxy mix or other):** _____

If Want to Be please specify breed or mix (must be under 25lbs): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ **State:** _____ **Zip Code:** _____

Phone #: _____ **E-Mail:** _____

Acceptance of Rules and Waiver and Release of Liability:

In consideration of being permitted to take part in the "Wiener and Want to Be Dog Race", I expressly agree as follows: I hereby acknowledge that the activity set forth herein contains some dangers and risks and may result in injury to myself, my animal or family members. I will not hold any party responsible if another dog injures my dog or me. I certify my dog has had all required shots and that as the dog owner I am responsible for controlling my dog at all times. I agree to keep my dog on a leash except when racing and abide by the race rules. In consideration of my participation in the Wiener and Want to Be Dog Races, I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the organizers, property owners, donors, sponsors & all competitors for damages or injuries to my pet or myself during the event including but not limited to the organizers, donors, Foxy Doxy Dachshund Rescue, City of Arroyo Grande and the Arroyo Grande Valley Harvest Festival Committee, Arroyo Grande Chamber of Commerce, Arroyo Grande Village Improvement Association, County of San Luis Obispo, against any and all liability, loss, damages, cost or expense which said entities may hereafter incur, suffer, or be required to pay by reason of me and/or my dogs' participation in this event. I hereby assume all risks of personal injury, death, and property damage from any causes whatsoever arising while my child, animal, or I, are participating in the activity. I, my child or animal, are in good health and are physically able to participate in such activity. I further agree that my private insurance will be the only insurance coverage available to me. I consent to the free use of any photographs, images or video of the event in broadcasts, newsletters, Facebook and other media coverage.

I the undersigned verify that I have read and will abide by all of the rules and the waiver and release of liability. I further verify that am eighteen (18) years of age or older. Please Sign (must be over the age of 18):

Signature

(Registrations without signature will not be able to participate in the race.)