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**LURE
COURSING**



WHAT IS LURE COURSING?

Lure Coursing is a sport for dogs using a machine to drag a lure around a field. The lure is plastic bags tied to a string, pulled around a series of pulleys on a designed course.

WHAT BREEDS CAN COURSE?

The sport was developed to test the functionality of Sighthounds, however the fun of chasing those bags around a fenced field can be experienced by all breeds. Like all sports some breeds are more suited than others.

HOW DOES IT WORK?

Dogs are assessed by ANKC judges on their Speed, Agility, Endurance, Follow and Enthusiasm. Judges assign scores to each category and if your dog attains a passing score after two runs it qualifies for a certificate.

HOW FAR DO THEY RUN?

Course design varies from about 600m up to 900m. A series of long straights and agility corners test the athletic ability of each dog.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

How do I get started?

Enter your dog in a trial for a Novice run to see if your dog loves it.

Do I have to be a Member?

No, novice runs are available to everybody and are a pathway to lure coursing competition.

Lure coursing trials are competitive events held under ANKC rules and are available to Dogs Queensland members.

When can my dog start?

Competitive trials start at age 12 months for most breeds, but Novice runs and puppy runs can start from 6 months. Like all athletes, dogs benefit from a warm up and a cool down and the friendly field crew are on hand to instruct owners on what happens on the field and off field care as well.

Can I apply for titles for my dog?

There is a title pathway for Sighthound breeds starting at Junior Courser (JC) and progressing to Field Champion (FCH) and on to Lure Courser of Merit (LCM). Non Sighthound breeds also can earn Junior Courser and progress to Coursing Ability (CA) and Coursing Ability Advanced (CAA).

Why lure course my dog?

Your dog will love it. Watching your dog run, cheering on friends' dogs and joining one of the fastest growing dog sports is a great day out. Any breed of dog can Lure Course.

Do it for your dog.

