



Wags for Wishes 2008

Frequently Asked Questions

Why isn't Wags for Wishes at the Del Mar Horsepark this year?

Answer: Because the San Diego County Fair extended their dates, scheduling at the Del Mar Horsepark was affected and we lost our weekend for Wags. Despite our best efforts, we were not able to find another date that they could have us that also worked for the competitions.

Why was the Otay Ranch Town Center selected as the venue for Wags?

Answer: The Otay Ranch Town Center is a new shopping center in Chula Vista, which is in the southern part of San Diego County. The Center is a dog-friendly place; shoppers are encouraged to bring their dogs when they visit and they even have a 10,000 square foot dog park. The Otay Ranch Town Center is approximately 35 miles southeast of the Del Mar Horsepark.

We decided to hold Wags for Wishes at the Otay Ranch Town Center because it offers many unique benefits for Wags and for our competitors and guests: plenty of free parking, lots of space, many dining options, and an easily accessible location.

Will all of the competitions take place at the Otay Ranch Town Center?

Answer: No, some events will be held at Otay Ranch High School, which is approximately two miles west of the Center. Those events will be: Flyball and Disc Dogs, because they require a lot of grass. The events that will take place at the Town Center are: Agility, Splash Dogs, Field Lure Coursing, Herding Instinct Tests, Canine Good Citizen, Conformation & Obedience, and Jack Russell Terrier races. The Center will also be the site of Vendor Village and our entertainment stage.

Competitors and spectators will be encouraged to visit both venues throughout the three-day event so that they can enjoy all that Wags has to offer.

What will the competition surface be at the Otay Ranch Town Center?

Answer: Most of the competitions will take place on dirt. We are bringing in clean fill dirt to cover the competition area and will ensure that it is safe and properly packed for each event.

Will there be a kenneling area for competitors?

Answer: Yes, a secured kenneling area will be provided. The area will be on a dirt lot, however, so competitors will be responsible for bringing their own ground coverings and canopies.

How are concerns about heat going to be addressed?

Answer: July in San Diego is definitely hot, and Wags for Wishes will be staged in a parking lot with very little natural shade. We are aware that this is a concern and are committed to providing a venue that is safe and comfortable for our competitors and guests. We will definitely create many shady areas, and will have lots of cooling pools, water bowls and misters.