Alaskan Malamute Club, Victoria Inc.

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AMCV SLEDDING DRIVER & DOG POINT SCORE COMPETITION RULES

PURPOSE

The Alaskan Malamute Club Victoria (AMCV) conducts a sledding point score competition each sledding season. The purpose of this competition is to encourage participation and promote events. However, the point score competition is more than a reward for attendance and involvement, as it is also intended to determine, and then reward, the best performing sledding teams of the year.

ELIGIBILITY

2. DRIVERS

2.1 A registered driver is defined as an individual who is named as driver of a team on the Point Score Registration Form. The driver must be a financial member of AMCV at the time of the nominated event and remain a member throughout the year until the time of the Annual General Meeting.

3. DOGS

3.1 To eligible to participate in AMCV Sledding Driver and Dog Point Competition Score, the team must only consist of pure bred ANKC registered Alaskan Malamutes.

3.2 All dogs in a team must be declared on the Point Score Registration Form.

4. CLASSES

4.1 The following classes are eligible for the Point Score:

(a) Open Limited Six-Dog Class Team, consisting of registered driver and not more than six (6) dogs, and not less than four (4) dogs.

(b) Open Limited Four-Dog Class Team, consisting of registered driver and not more than four (4) dogs, and not less than three (3) dogs.

(c) Open Limited Two-Dog Class Team, consisting of registered driver and two (2) dogs.

(d) Open Limited One-Dog Class Team shall consist of registered driver and one (1) dog.

(e) Open Canicross Team, consisting of registered driver and one (1) dog

5. EVENTS

5.1 The sledding events in which points can be scored towards the Sledding Dog & Driver Point Score are indicated in the AMCV Activities Calendar for that year. For the purpose of the Sledding point score, a heat may count as an event.

5.2 Events and/or classes which do not attract entries, or classes that are not contested, will not be eligible for inclusion in the Point Score calculation.

5.3 Eligible Point Score events may be altered at the discretion of the Sledding Coordinator with the approval of the Committee at any time during the season, in the case of any event being cancelled, class entry being varied or altered or should a class not receive entries.

5.4 Any change to eligible Point Score events will be published in the subsequent edition of the 'Malamute Mail'.

REGISTRATION

6. DRIVER AND DOGS

6.1 Prior to participating in their first event in the Point Score Competition, drivers are required to complete the Point Score Registration Form, which includes the following:

(a) Name of the registered driver of the team;

(b) Name and consent of owner of dog/s;

(c) Details of all dogs which make up the team, e.g. registered ANKC number of dog/s, registered ANKC name of dog/s, call name of dog/s, age of dog/s;

(d) Sledding Class that the registered driver wishes to participate in for the purposes of the AMVC Point Score.

6.2 A separate Point Score Registration Form is required for each class.
6.3 Drivers are required to register all dogs that will make up their team for the duration of the sledding season.
6.4 The following provides examples of what is considered as one team in the Limited-4-dog class for the purpose of the Sledding Dog & Driver Point Score:

> *A driver runs different combinations of dogs in the Limited 4-dog class throughout the sledding season:*
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> **Team A** Dogs registered: Alpha, Bravo, Charlie and Delta.
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> *Driver can run all 4 dogs, or any combination of 3 of these 4 dogs to quality as one team.*
> e.g. Alpha, Bravo, Charlie.
> e.g. Bravo, Charlie, Delta
>
> **Team B** Dogs registered: Alpha, Bravo, Charlie and Echo.
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> *Team B would be considered to be a different team from Team A in the Point Score.*

ALLOCATION OF POINTS

7. AWARDING OF POINTS

7.1 Points will be awarded based on the final results of each of the nominated events.
7.2 Points are allocated on the basis of 100 points to the first eligible team, 99 points to the second eligible team, 98 points to the third eligible team, etc.
7.3 The number of results that will count towards the sledding point score total will represent as close to two thirds (over 50% and not more 75%) of the eligible events, as possible.
7.4 In the event of a tie for a placing in any point score class/place, both eligible teams will receive the award.

ADDITIONAL AWARDS

8. JUNIOR OF THE YEAR

8.1 The criteria for Junior of the Year is based on the personal attributes of a driver who is aged between 12 and 15 years and is an AMCV member. These qualities include, but are not limited to, display of good sportsmanship, observance of trail rules and etiquette and control and care of their dog. Nominations for Junior of Year can be submitted to the Committee for consideration by any financial club member.
8.2 To be eligible for this award, Juniors may run any breed, ANKC registered or non-registered dog in their team.

9. NOVICE OF THE YEAR

9.1 The criteria for Novice of the Year is based on the personal attributes of a driver who is competing in Novice class in their first year of sledding and who is AMCV member. These qualities include, but are not limited to, display of good sportsmanship, observance of trail rules and etiquette and control and care of their dog. Nominations for Novice of Year can be submitted to the Committee for consideration by any financial club member
9.2 To be eligible for this award, Novices may run any breed ANKC registered or non-registered dog in their team.

10. ROOKIE OF THE YEAR

10.1 Rookie of the Year will be awarded to any AMCV member (driver) who in their first year of competing in open classes, achieves the most points against other drivers also in their first year of competing, i.e. highest placed Rookie in the point score.