

## Competitive Canine Assoc. Concept

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Create a non-political organization that is based on the realistic evaluation of a dog's natural and trained abilities.

## Mission

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The Competitive Canine Association, LLC is dedicated to aiding with the training of canine athletes and then evaluating the dog's abilities with a variety of competitions. The various competitions are structured in a way that allow for "off season" training for each type of competition. This is where the human variable is achieved so that the overriding factor for success during the particular competition is the dog. The dog's success will be recognized through both direct competition against other dogs and a predetermined standard.

## Vision

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The association's competitions will give greater "general public" recognition to the dogs and handlers that are successful. The goal is to create a variety of competitions that will make successful dogs and dog handlers household names, as seen by other successful athletes.

## In Closing

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If you desire to take your dog's abilities to their fullest potential and then evaluate those abilities compared to other dogs then the Competitive Canine Association, LLC is for you.

## Questions

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If you are interested in the CCA and/or you have questions please visit us at:

www.CCADOGS.com  
or call  
715-568-3420

## Upland Series Concept

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### Fall & Winter

The format for the Upland Series is for a dog to compete against other dogs, of similar breed and talent, on a predetermined course in which the requirements can be practiced prior to the competition. The course will consist of three set areas where an upland game bird is placed. Each dog will have an opportunity to compete on the course multiple times and the dog that can accomplish the objectives of find/point and retrieve, for each of the three set areas, will be awarded a passing score and receive a ribbon. The dog with a passing score, and the lowest time, is the overall winner. The dog has the ability to control the clock through their abilities in obedience, hunting, retrieving, and speed. The top dogs at the end of each level of competition will be invited on to the next level of competition which will end with a seasonal championship.

## Upland Series Structure

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### Pointing and Flushing Divisions Puppy, Hunter, & Pro Classes

- Competition for one handler, one dog, and if desired a gunner.
- Limited to 8 shells per run (no scoring value)
- 15 minute event
- 3 bird set
- Time will be kept and used for tie-breaking purposes for all dogs with passing scores.



## Retrieving Series Concept

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### Spring & Summer

The format for the retrieving series is for a dog to compete against other dogs, of similar breed and talent, on a predetermined course in which the requirements can be practiced prior to the competition. The course will consist of two retrieving stations, with varying length retrieves at each station, on various terrains to include the possibility of water. Each dog will have an opportunity to compete on the course multiple times and the dogs that can satisfy both station requirements will be awarded a passing score and will receive a ribbon. The dog with a passing score, and the lowest two-station accumulative time, is the overall winner. The dog has the ability to control the clock through their abilities in obedience, marking, and speed. The top dogs at the end of each level of competition will be invited on to the next level of competition which will end with a seasonal championship.

## Retrieving Series Structure

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### Spaniel, Retriever, Pointing Breed, & Pro Divisions

**Required Retrieves:** Approximate distances until courses are set for each event.

### Spaniel, Retriever and Pointing Breed Divisions

- One 200' visual on land
- One 100' visual in water minimum **OR** one 250' visual on land

### Pro Division

- One 200' blind on land
- One 100' visual in water minimum **OR** one 300' visual on land

## **What is the Competitive Canine Association?**

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The Competitive Canine Association, LLC is an organization founded by a group of avid bird hunters that wanted to evaluate their dog's abilities compared to other dogs. They not only wanted to evaluate the dog's natural ability but also the dog's ability to obey fundamental commands which in their estimation was what a handler would desire in the field. After much debate they came to the conclusion that a good dog was simply one that could obey basic fundamental commands, find prey, whoa or sit on command, and retrieve harvested game. They also concluded that if two dogs had equal abilities then the dog that could perform the fastest was more desirable.

In looking into existing "games" that might accomplish the goal of dog evaluation they found that there were two primary types of competitions that existed and neither addressed all of the desirable characteristics of a good hunting dog. Some evaluated a dog's abilities to a predetermined standard, but never really addressed speed, obedience, or put dog against dog to determine true superiority. Other games were team driven in which the handler and dog's abilities were both evaluated thus losing the dog's legitimacy.

The group decided to create an association to address their goals with the belief that the majority of sporting dog owners would have these same goals. The Competitive Canine Association, LLC was founded under the premise that by helping handlers with training questions they could elevate their dog's abilities thus taking the dogs to their full potential. The association would then create a series of different competitive events to evaluate the dogs through direct competition once the training was complete. This goal will be accomplished by networking quality trainers with sporting dog owners in each geographic area involved with the association. The networking will be accomplished by scheduling training days at the very facilities that will host competitive events thus creating an initial comfort level for all parties involved. It is the association's opinion that this concept will help to create new competitors on an ongoing basis which will ultimately aid in the recognition of the top canine athletes and trainers nation wide.

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