

2027 NCA National Specialty Executive Committee Meeting Summary – 6/26/25

Ring Steward: Discussed different possibilities for chief ring steward, compared various costs for local vs hotel cost for someone coming in. People will investigate potentials and share with the group.

Obedience /Rally judges: Discussed feedback from club membership. A short list was created. Contracts will be discussed and then names will be forwarded to Cindy Goodwin.

Sweepstakes Judge(s): Reviewed full list of submitted names, removed names where the person has recently judged at a National, where it would impact the potential entry (co-owned dogs), etc. Executive committee will use rank voting on the short list – MLZ to send short list out to Exec. Comm. this coming week.

Regional Specialty: Discussed judging expectations (#dogs/hr, etc.) and how many judges would be needed for expected entry. Discussed potential entry expectations for the week based on past east coast to west coast years:

Year	Dogs	Entry	Obedience	Rally	% Change Conf	% Change Obed
1985	522	817	66			
1986	407	665	67		-22%	1.50%
1990	714	1144	96			
1991	437	735	69		-38%	-28%
1997	548	863	44			
1998	327	496	59		-40%	34%
2004	533	806	85			
2005	412	563	72		-22%	-15%
2015	546	732	87	123		
2017	328	439	27	25	-39%	-68%

The averages were a 32% drop in conformation entries and a 15% drop in obedience entries. Discussed planning for a Regional without sweeps on Tuesday and using a single judge for a Wednesday National Sweeps.

Volunteers: Continued discussion of key positions and some possible volunteers, main area coordinators and mentors.

2025 Debriefing: Notes sent out to Exec. Committee. 2025 follow-up survey closes 7/1 and results will be forwarded to Exec. Comm.

Logo: Discussion and recommendations for 2nd draft of badge logo and 1st draft of panoramic logo. MLZ to communicate suggestions to artist.

Next Meeting 7/31 7 PM

