






The Rhodesian Ridgeback Club of the United States

86th National Specialty Show

Holiday Inn – Portland Airport

Sunday, September 17, 2017 thru Saturday September 23, 2017

Information Sheet

-  **Weather** – The outdoor temperature is expected to be close to 80° F for the entire Specialty week. The hotel will maintain an indoor temperature of 68° F in the main hotel and conference center. The US weather bureau reports no chance of rain.
-  **Hotel Check-in** - If your hotel room is not part of the RRCUS “block”, please make sure that the hotel knows you are part of the Ridgeback Event.
- **Pet Policy** - If you will have dogs in your room, the hotel will ask that you sign a copy of their pet policy. It is a standard instructional and liability form. It is posted on the RRCUS specialty page. It indicates you must have rabies vaccination forms with you. You will not, however, be asked to produce them, unless needed.
 - **In-Hotel Dog Traffic** – Please minimize dog traffic in the lower level Hotel Atrium. This part of the hotel is the location of the open-air restaurant and hotel bar, and there often food events here, frequently. Except for access to clinic rooms that will be converted to crating space, please avoid bringing dogs through this area. The clinic/crating rooms can be accessed through an outside door.
 - **Plastic Sheets** – Please let the registration agent now how many plastic sheets you need to place under your in-room crates. The sheets are a little larger than 4’X6”. Please request one sheet for every two crates you will have in your room.
 - **Door Handers** – Please be sure to use the door hangers provided at registration to let hotel staff know dogs are in your room and how they can reach you.
 - **Coffee** – There is a Keurig-style coffee maker in each room. If you want to bring extra coffee with you, please make sure you are bringing K-cup pods. Coffee by the cup is available in Perk n” Fly concession area in the hotel lobby and in the concession area of the conference center from 10 am to 3 pm.
-  **Parking** - There is a sign posted at the front door of the hotel that indicates there is a \$10 per day parking fee. **This does not apply to anyone attending the RRCUS Event.**
-  **Potty Areas** – The grass area in front of the hotel and designated area around the periphery of the hotel may be used to “potty” your dogs. There will be plastic bags and buckets at those locations. There will be fenced ex-pens in the back of the Conference Center parking lot, past the RVs: wood shavings and artificial turf will be available there. There are two fenced dog runs to the side of the RVs. If there are folks waiting, please be courteous of others and limit your exercise/potty time to 5 minutes. Bitches in season may only use the right side of the run.
-  **RRCUS Event Registration** – RRCUS event registration will be held in the Conference Center at the following hours, ONLY:
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| Sunday, September 17th | Noon – 4 PM |
| Monday, September 18th | 8:00 - 11:00 AM, and 1:00 – 3:00 PM |
| Tuesday, September 19th | 9:00 AM – Noon |
| Wednesday, September 20th | 8:00 - 9:00 AM |
| Thursday, September 21st | 8:00 - 9:00 AM |

All event tickets, front row seating badges, name tags, welcome bags and prepaid merchandise will be available at the registration tables. If you do not have an opportunity to pick up your “fully loaded” welcome bag at registration before an event begins, no problem. We will have a list of event purchasers at each event check-in.

- 🌸 Reserved Crating – Day of show crating will be open in the Conference Center by 6:30 AM on Monday morning. Guaranteed reserved and free crating in the Conference Center and Clinic rooms will become available at 4 PM that afternoon. Crate spaces will be numbered and there will be a crating layout posted in the Conference Center and the clinic rooms. Crate tags will be provided and must be attached to the front of each crate.
- 🌸 Sales Table – Logo merchandise will be available for sale during show hours – while it lasts!
- 🌸 Raffle – Raffle gift certificates, gift cards, raffle items and baskets will be on display during show hours. Raffle tickets will be on sale throughout the week. The drawing for raffle prizes will take place during the lunch break on Friday. Winners that are not present will be notified by phone. Raffle prizes not claimed by 4:30 PM will be drawn again. Items not picked up by 5:00 PM will become part of the 2018 raffle. Some raffle draws will be **“Winner’s Choice”, but you must be there to make a selection!**
- 🌸 RV Check-in will occur in the Conference Center parking lot beginning Sunday. Look for the red canopy. RVs arriving earlier that Sunday will be parked in a temporary space if necessary, as there is an event in the Conference Center through Saturday evening. There will be a designated space for tow-cars. The sanitation truck will come on Wednesday. The charge for this service is \$25, check made out to RRCUS or cash.
- 🌸 Concessions – The concession window in the Conference Center will be open from 10 AM to 3 PM. You can pick up your prepaid lunch order (you will need your lunch ticket). You will, also be able to purchase a wide variety of food items and beverages here: coffee, muffins, sandwiches, wraps, salads, chips, cold beverages, cookies, and candy. The daily menu of food items available will be posted next to the window.
- 🌸 Vendor Trucks and Trailers – Vendors may unload at the Conference Center loading dock. Trucks and trailers may be parked anywhere at the back of the hotel lot.

We look forward to seeing you in Portland. Please travel safely!