



Casterton

Australian Premier Working Dog Auction

2026

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

Entries close 1 May 2026

IMPORTANT DATES

Expression of interest close 5pm 1 May 2026

Auction Plus listing adjustment

- No amendments can be made after 5pm 30 May 2026

Online Bidder registrations close 5pm 5 June 2026

GOVERNMENT REGULATIONS:

1. Victorian legislation provides that all Vendors must supply the following for each dog –
 - (a) submit a signed Sale Guarantee and Health Declaration;
 - (b) submit a current (within last 12 months) Vaccination Certificate for a minimum of distemper/hepatitis/parvo;
 - (c) submit a transfer of ownership form with an approved animal registry service;
 - (d) provide a Breeder Source Number which must appear on all advertising;
 - (e) all dogs must be treated for internal worms and external parasites within 14 days of auction;
 - (f) Any pups under 4 months of age are required by law to be housed in a cage and CANNOT BE TIED UP. This is to be provided by the Vendor.

MICROCHIP:

Vendors must provide a Microchip number for each dog entered. On auction day the Casterton Kelpie Association (Association) reserves the right to scan a dog on arrival to ensure that the microchip number matches the number provided on Entry Form. The Domestic Animals Act (s12A) requires that a dog must be implanted with a permanent identification device and that device must be registered an animal registry service (s63G).

FEES & BALLOTING:

2. All entries are to be submitted through the online format
 - (a) an entry fee of \$100.00 per dog/pup is payable online, at time of entry;
 - (b) any dog balloted out will have the entry fee automatically refunded;
 - (c) all other refunds will only be considered with a veterinary certificate;
 - (d) entries close on 1 May 2026 and will incur a 7% commission on the sale price;
 - (e) late entries will not be accepted;
 - (f) the association reserves the right to ballot dogs to obtain the appropriate quality, number and variety of ages;
 - (g) any dog that the Vendor suspects or knows may display aggressive behaviour towards humans & other dogs must not be entered.

PHOTO'S & VIDEO'S

3. The Association strongly advises that Vendors submit the following -
 - (a) a photo of the dog for online catalogue and online marketing;
 - (b) complete the 'catalogue description' section of the online Entry Form;
 - (c) send a YouTube video link or email a video to the auction coordinator;
 - (d) once video is submitted no amendments can be made after the pre-sale bidding cut off date of 30 May 2026.

DEMONSTRATIONS:

4. Vendors are invited to demonstrate their dogs on auction day –
 - (a) demonstrations will be conducted between 9.30am and 2.30pm;
 - (b) the association reserves the right to allocate the order of demonstrations;
 - (c) Vendors failing to demonstrate at the allocated time will forfeit the opportunity;
 - (d) the allocated time for demonstration shall not be exceeded;
 - (e) the association will provide specific fenced demonstration area (approx. 1 acre) sheep yards, including draft and race, sheep loading facilities and fresh sheep;
 - (f) a small, enclosed pen with sheep will be available for scheduled pup demonstrations;
 - (g) vendors can use any or all these facilities in any manner they wish, within the allocated time, to best demonstrate their dog's attributes;
 - (h) any Vendor who allows their dogs to work in a manner that the committee considers may lead to sheep being mistreated or injured will be asked to cease their demonstration immediately;
 - (i) all dogs demonstrated must then be placed up for auction;
 - (j) NO dog is to be traded prior to auction;
 - (k) only dogs registered in the auction are to be sold on the day.



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AUCTION:

5. The Association will engage the services of AuctionsPlus to work with our Auctioneers -
 - (a) the auction will commence at 3pm;
 - (b) standard auction conditions will apply;
 - (c) NO pups under the age of 12 weeks at day of Auction (7 June) can be entered;
 - (d) bitches 'on heat' may be entered for auction with prior advice from the Vendor. Acceptance of bitches 'on heat' will be at the discretion of the Association who will provide specific instructions on the security, management and logistics of these dogs on auction day;
 - (e) all dogs must be presented with a correctly fitted serviceable collar that remains on the dog after the auction;
 - (f) all dogs presented for auction must have no known or suspected health problems, or apparent life-threatening defects;
 - (g) the Association reserves the right to request a veterinary inspection of any dog entered in the auction;
 - (h) any dog that the Vendor suspects or knows may display aggressive behavior towards humans & other dogs must not be entered;
 - (i) vendors will be responsible for the restraint, control, and wellbeing of their dogs throughout the day;
 - (j) the Association reserves the right to withdraw any dog from the auction whose temperament poses a threat to the public;
 - (k) any vendor wishing to place a 'Reserve Price' must do so at the time of completing the online Entry Form. No amendments can be made after 5:00pm 30 May 2026;
 - (l) NO dogs will be sold for less than \$500;
 - (m) all 'passed in' dogs will be available for purchase immediately after the hammer has fallen, to the first registered bidder who meets the reserve price;
 - (n) furthermore, 'passed in' dogs will be available for sale until 30 minutes after completion of auction;
 - (o) no dog is to be sold for less than the reserve price;
 - (p) vendors must complete a Working Capability Form for each dog entered, which will be attached to the purchaser's invoice
 - (q) vendors of sold dogs must remain onsite until delivery arrangements and instructions between purchaser and vendor are finalised and provided to the Auction Chair;
 - (r) vendors of sold dogs are expected to remain onsite to discuss the dog and working commands etc., with the purchaser;

- (s) DOGS PURCHASED through AuctionsPlus --- any Vendor whose dog is sold through AuctionsPlus MUST TAKE THE DOG HOME, UNLESS previous arrangements have been made and PROVIDED to Auction Chair PRIOR to Auction. Once payment is confirmed by the Auction Secretary the Vendor can then make the necessary arrangements to transfer the dog - ALL COSTS associated with any transport will be at the Purchaser's expense.

GENERAL INFORMATION:

1. STRICTLY AUCTION DOGS ONLY at Island Park.
2. The Association requests that all vendors be at Island Park to register no later than 8.30am at the office located behind the main Grandstand.
3. Vendor demonstration time will be provided upon confirmation of registration of dog.
4. A stud prefix with your dog's name will not be printed in catalogue without a copy of Stud Book Certificate being supplied upon entry.
5. The Association will adjudicate on any disputes that arise on the day that are not otherwise governed by the laws of the land.

PURCHASERS:

1. All prospective buyers wishing to purchase through AuctionsPlus or an Agent account must provide a letter of introduction from the Agency Manager to the Auction Secretary email auktion@castertonkelpieassociation.com.au by Friday 5 June at 5pm.
Any queries please contact Neil Cooper 0419 600 354.
2. All other payments are by cash or Eftpos on the day - NO CHEQUES accepted.
3. The transfer of dog ownership will NOT take place until the association gives notice to the Vendor that the required amount payable has been cleared.
4. Once the association has confirmed the successful payment with the Vendor all arrangements for the transfer of the dog is between the Vendor and the Purchaser.
5. The Association takes no responsibility if the transfer of the dog proceeds before payment is confirmed by the association with the Vendor.

ENQUIRES

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Neil 'Radar' Cooper (Auction Chair) [0419 600 354](tel:0419600354) or Sarah Bruce-Smith (Auction Secretary) [0459 930 770](tel:0459930770) or email enquiries to auktion@castertonkelpieassociation.com.au

Full catering available at the venue throughout the day with breakfast from 8.00am