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## FOR THE FIRST TIME EVER THE ALL AMERICAN OUTDOOR SPORTS EXPO WILL FEATURE THE HIGH FLYING ACTION OF DOCKDOGS® JANUARY 10 – 12, 2025

MEDINA, OH. – For the first time ever the All American Outdoor Sports Expo will be featuring the high flying action of DockDogs<sup>®</sup>, the independent governing and sanctioning body for dock jumping and dock diving canine performance sports. The exciting and crowd drawing action will be taking place inside the Allen County War Memorial Coliseum (4000 Parnell Avenue, Ft. Wayne, IN 46825) so make sure to take advantage of this incredible attraction by experiencing the fastest growing sport for canines in North America.

Throughout the Show, DockDogs<sup>®</sup> will present the Big Air<sup>®</sup> Wave competition accompanied by an Extreme Vertical<sup>®</sup> and Speed Retrieve<sup>®</sup> competition for both competitors and spectators to enjoy. The Big Air<sup>®</sup> competition features dogs running down a 36' dock and diving into a pool of water after an object, in which they are electronically judged for the length of their jump. The Extreme Vertical<sup>®</sup> competition is a "High Jump" for the dogs as they each lunge to snag a "bumper" suspended in the air. With each grab, the height increases in 2-inch increments until only one dog is crowned king. Rounding out the action is the newest form of competition known as Speed Retrieve<sup>®</sup> – where the dogs are put on the clock to see how fast they can run down the dock, jump into the water, swim to the end of the pool and retrieve an object which is held by a modified extender arm.

The competitions are open to any and everyone. Teams are made up of one dog and one handler. Your canine must be 6 months or older to be eligible. Canines of any breed, size or shape are welcomed. Not only is the competition open to all types of canines, but also handlers above the age of 7 are welcomed. We even have a Youth Handler class for those who are between the ages of 7-14.

So if you or anyone you know has a dog that likes the water, gets along with other dogs and enjoys a good "chew toy", this event is for you! Pre-registration will be available until 1 week prior to the event by logging onto <u>www.dockdogs.com</u>, or you can register on-site at the beginning of the day. The website will also provide an up-to-date schedule and general information on all DockDogs<sup>®</sup> affiliated events.

DockDogs<sup>®</sup> is the independent governing and sanctioning body for regional, national and international dock jumping performance sports. DockDogs<sup>®</sup> establishes the rules and standards of the sport, tracks results and records and supports and promotes the growth of its athletes, events, spectators, and sponsors. For additional information visit <u>www.dockdogs.com</u>