

Weimaraner Club of America

Most Versatile Weimaraner Award

Purpose:

To offer a Most Versatile Weimaraner Award at the National Specialty Week events to recognize the overall versatility of the Weimaraner. This prize will be awarded to the Weimaraner who accumulates the most points by placing/qualifying in at least three of the various venues offered at the WCA National Specialty.

Offered annually beginning with the 2015 National Specialty.

Rules & Scoring for Most Versatile Weimaraner (MVW) Award

Entries and Scorekeeper:

- 1) A handler can enter a dog for the Most Versatile Award by filling out the MVW form available online. The form must be submitted online by the last closing date.
- 2) The WCA Companion Committee will appoint a committee member or representative at the specialty as scorekeeper to track the points based on the Show/Trial Secretary results.
- 3) Points for each dog entered will be posted daily.
- 4) The top five contenders will be announced at the National Specialty Awards Banquet. The winner of the award need not be present to win. If the winner is not present, awards will be mailed.

Qualifications for the Most Versatile Weimaraner Award:

- 1) Dogs must participate and earn points in at least three of the following eight venues (not all venues may be offered every year, only WCA events qualify):
 - a. Agility
 - b. Conformation
 - c. Obedience
 - d. Rally
 - e. Tracking
 - f. Shooting Ratings
 - g. Retrieving Ratings
 - h. Hunting Tests
- 2) A dog may be entered in more than three venues. The single highest point value earned in each venue will be used in tabulating the points earned for that venue. Points within venues are not cumulative. Additional points will not be awarded for multiple placements/qualifying scores in each venue. The dog with the highest combined total score for all venues will be awarded Most Versatile Weimaraner. In the event of a tie see "Tie Breaking Criteria" at the end of the points list.

Special Awards – Recognizing the multi-talented Weimaraner

- 1) High Scoring Versatile Junior Weimaraner: For the high scoring Weimaraner under the age of 2 that qualifies in at least three venues under the MVW rules.
- 2) High Scoring Versatile Senior Weimaraner: For the high scoring Weimaraner over the age of 7 that qualifies in at least three venues under the MVW rules.
- 3) Versatile Tri-Athlete: To recognize all Weimaraners that qualify in at least three venues offered under the MVW rules. Champions of record entered and shown in Best of Breed competition get credit toward this award.

Prizes:

- 1) Most Versatile Weimaraner will receive a rosette matching that of WCA Best of Breed.
- 2) High Scoring Versatile Junior and Senior Weimaraners will receive a rosette.
- 3) Versatile Tri-Athletes will receive a rosette.

Scoring:

Agility

- 1) Regular Classes
 - a. 2 points: Qualifying score in Novice
 - b. 3 points: Qualifying score in Open or winning Novice Class (A or B)
 - c. 4 points: Qualifying score in Excellent or Masters or winning Open Class
 - d. 5 points: Winning Excellent or Master Class
 - e. 6 points: Double Q in the Master Class only.
- 2) Preferred Classes
 - a. 1 point: Qualifying score in Novice
 - b. 2 points: Qualifying score in Open or Winning Novice Class (A or B)
 - c. 3 points: Qualifying score in Excellent or Master Class or winning the Open Class
 - d. 4 points: Winning Excellent or Master Class
 - e. 5 points: Double Q in Master Class only.
- 3) High Score
 - a. 7 points: High Scoring Regular Class Weimaraner in Trial
 - b. 6 points: High Scoring Preferred Class Weimaraner in Trial
- 4) Maximum Agility Points = 7

Conformation

AKC Regular/Non-Regular classes that can move on to the Best of Breed competition. Does not include Sweepstakes, Futurity/Maturity or classes such as Stud Dog, Brood Bitch, Team, etc.

- 1) 1 point: Place 1-4 in a Class
- 2) 1 point: To all champions of record entered and shown in Best of Breed competition at the National Specialty
- 3) 2 points: Reserve Winners Dog or Bitch
- 4) 3 points: Winners Dog/Winners Bitch
- 5) 4 points: Best of Winners or Award of Merit
- 6) 5 points: Select Dog/Select Bitch
- 7) 6 points: Best Opposite Sex to Best of Breed
- 8) 7 points: Best of Breed
- 9) Maximum Conformation Points = 7

Obedience

- 1) 2 points: Qualifying score in Novice or Graduate Novice
- 2) 3 points: Qualifying score in Open, Graduate Open or Winning Novice Class (A or B)
- 3) 4 points: Qualifying score in Utility or winning Open Class (A or B)
- 4) 5 points: Winning Utility Class (A or B)
- 5) 6 points: Qualifying in Open B AND Utility A or B
- 6) 7 points: High in Trial and/or High Combined
- 7) Maximum Obedience Points = 7

Rally (Regular Classes)

- 1) 1 point: Qualifying score in Novice
- 2) 1.5 points: Qualifying score in Intermediate
- 3) 2 points: Qualifying score in Advanced
- 4) 2.5 points: Qualifying score in Excellent
- 5) 3 points: Qualifying score in either Master or Advanced Excellent
- 6) 3.5 points: Winning High Combined in Advanced/Excellent
- 7) 4 points: Qualifying scores in triple combined classes of Master/Advanced/Excellent
- 8) 4.5 points: Winning Triple High Combined Award-Master Advanced Excellent
- 9) Maximum Rally Points = 4.5

WCA Shooting Ratings

- 1) 1 point: Qualifying in Novice Shooting Dog
- 2) 3 points: Qualifying in Shooting Dog
- 3) 6 points: Qualifying Shooting Dog Excellent
- 4) Maximum Shooting Ratings Points = 6

WCA Retrieving Ratings

- 1) 2 points: Qualifying in Novice Retrieving Dog
- 2) 5 points: Qualifying in Retrieving Dog
- 3) 7 points: Qualifying Retrieving Dog Excellent
- 4) Maximum Retrieving Ratings Points = 7

Hunting Test for Pointing Breeds

- 1) 2 points: Qualifying in Junior Hunter
- 2) 5 points: Qualifying in Senior Hunter
- 3) 7 points: Qualifying in Master Hunter
- 4) Maximum Hunting Test for Pointing Breeds Points = 7

Tracking

- 1) 3 points: Passing Tracking Test/Tracking Dog Urban
- 2) 5 points: Passing a Tracking Excellent Test
- 3) 7 points: Passing a Variable Surface Tracking Test
- 4) Maximum Tracking Points = 7

- 5) If there are not enough tracks available to offer each Weimaraner cross entered in tracking and MVW an opportunity to track then the tracking points will not be awarded.

TIE BREAKING CRITERIA:

In the event of a tie, the winner will be the dog participating and earning points in the most number of venues. For example, in a tie, a dog that had earned points in all eight venues would win over a dog that had earned points in only four venues. If a tie still exists, all point values earned in each venue would be combined and totaled for each dog with the highest total score being the winning dog. For example, a dog that had earned a High in Trial in Obedience by winning the Novice B class would count 7 points for High in Trial, plus 3 points for winning Novice B, plus 2 points for qualifying in Novice B. In the event the dogs were still tied after this tally, WCA would recognize that an absolute tie occurred and dual awards would be given.