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Stacy Smith releases her dog Zoya during the sixth annual Alaska Dogs Gone Wild Summer Solstice flyball competition at the Alaska State Fairgrounds Thursday morning. The competition continues through Sunday. Spectators are welcome and admission is free. For more information visit flyballdogs.com/alaska.



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(ROBERT DeBERRY/Frontiersman)



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Envy, a 7-year-old sport mix bred specifically for flyball competition, clears the last hurdle before tripping a spring and catching the ball during Thursday's flyball competition at the Alaska State Fairgrounds. Dogs compete in teams of four and must clear a series of hurdles before stepping on a trigger and releasing a tennis ball that they catch and run back through the hurdles with before another dog is released. The dog with the fastest time wins. (ROBERT DeBERRY/Frontiersman)

