



LAGOTTO ROMAGNOLO ASSOCIATION

SCHEDULE OF OPEN RALLY COMPETITION

(held under Kennel Club Rules & Regulations S
licensed by the Kennel Club Ltd)

On **SATURDAY 18th May 2024**

**The Kennel Club Buildings, Stoneleigh Park, Stoneleigh,
Warwickshire, CV8 2LZ**

Show opens 8am – First Walkthrough 8.30am –
Judging Starts 9:10am

All Rally Rings will be outside

*** Held in conjunction with the first Breed Club
Championship Show for the Lagotto*

*Breed Specials in each Level. Trophy for Highest Placed Lagotto in the Awards. Trophies to
all Rally Class Winners. A Celebration Day for the Lagotto Romagnolo ***

The officers and committee members of the society / or the licensee holding the licence are deemed responsible for organising and conducting the competition safely and in accordance with the rules and regulations of The Kennel Club and agree to abide by and adopt any decision of the Board or any authority to whom the Board may delegate its powers subject to the conditions of Regulation S31. In so doing those appointed as officers and committee members, or the licensee, accept that they are jointly and severally responsible for the organisation of the competition and that this is a binding undertaking.

SHOW SECRETARY: **Carolyn Adkins-Fry,**
The Old Grain Barn, Bishops Itchington, Warwickshire, CV47 2RZ
Email: email.lagotto@bedeslea.com

CHIEF STEWARD: John Wykes

ENTRIES CLOSE: SATURDAY, 26TH APRIL 2024 (11.59PM

ONLINE) ENTRIES TO BE MADE TO: ONLINE ENTRIES ONLY via

www.withyourdogrally.co.uk



ELIGIBILITY: Last qualifying date upto and including 11th May 2024

VETERINARY SUPPORT: **Avonvale Veterinary Centre, Tel: 01926 400255**

6 Wedgnock Estate, Broxall Close, Warwick CV34 5Q

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Our judges are: Michelle Rodgers, Joanne Syson, Leanne Warren, Kate Wykes.
2. Carolyn Adkins-Fry will sponsor the rosettes, winner's trophies and a trophy for highest places Lagotto Romagnolo in the Rally classes.
3. Entry fees are £8 a class
4. Place cards and rosettes will be awarded for 1st-6th place. Trophies will be awarded to all class winners as well as the highest placed Lagotto Romagnolo in the Rally classes. Qualifying certificates will be awarded to all competitors achieving a Qualifying score.
5. Competitors should book in at the Secretary's table on arrival. They should then check in and choose their place in the running order at the ring for each class they have entered.
6. No bitch in season is allowed to compete.
7. The mating of bitches within the precincts of the competition is forbidden.
8. All dogs must enter and leave the judging ring on lead. When in use, one end of the lead must be attached to a ring on the dog's collar and the other should be held in the handler's hand(s), except for when performing Bonus Exercises 4 or 5 where the handler has chosen for their dog to drag the lead.
9. Dogs must compete in a buckle or snap collar. Collars may have tags on them. Decorations and/or costumes, harnesses, slip leads, check and half-check collars are not allowed. A medicated collar may also be worn in the ring.
10. The committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
Not for competition entries will be accepted for dogs aged four calendar months and over. Details of each dog must be recorded on the entry form and must be Kennel Club registered.
11. In the event that the competition is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, the Association will refund Rally entry fees. If the show processor has the provisions to do so, competitors will be refunded in the way in which they entered the competition, but in any event, the Association will return fees within 3 months of the competition date to all those who had entered and requested a refund within 1 month of the competition date.
11. Should a judge be unable to fulfil their appointment the organiser reserves the right to appoint an alternative judge.
12. It is the competitor's responsibility to be available for their class and running order.
13. Should circumstances so dictate the organiser, in consultation with the judges, may alter arrangements as necessary. Such changes will be reported to The Kennel Club.
14. Only dogs of six calendar months of age and over on the first day of the competition are eligible to take part in Level 1, 2, or 3 classes. Only dogs of 12 calendar months of age and over on the first day of the competition are eligible to take part in Level 4 or higher classes or special classes which incorporate jumps or similar exercises. A dog which is 7 years old or over on the first day of the competition may be entered in a Veteran class.
15. Organisers of open rally competitions and limited rally competitions may set a capping level on the entries to be accepted in any standard or special class and may decline entries received after the capping level has been reached. State the capping level for each class. The capping level must be set at a minimum of 40 entries received. There is no maximum level at which a cap may be set.
16. A dog must not compete in the same class more than once, including special classes
17. Under Regulation S(B)3.d., competitors should book in at the Show Secretary's table; once they have their ring number, they should sign in at the ring table for the level (s) in which they are entered.
NB: Class allocations and timings will be posted on www.rallynews.co.uk at least 1 week before the show
18. No entry passes are required for this show
19. No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of any dog at any time within the precincts of the competition.
20. No competitor shall impugn the decisions of the judge or judges.
21. After a dog has commenced competing in a class no substitution of handler is permitted in that class.
22. For the duration of the competition and including those in the exercise area, all dogs must be on a lead except when competing or practising prior to competition.
23. Food or toys shall not be carried in the ring or given to a dog whilst under test, except in special classes where the use of food and/or silent toy rewards has been specified in the schedule.
24. A dog can not be entered in the same class more than once.
25. Once a dog has entered the ring to compete, no further practice may be carried out.
26. A dog must, at the time of entry for the competition, be registered as required by Kennel Club rules and regulations in the owner's name (or registration or transfer applied for). In the case of joint registered owners the full name of every registered owner must be given.
Where an owner makes an entry on behalf of another joint registered owner(s) or where an agent enters on behalf of a single or joint registered owner(s) such person must have the authority and consent from the single or joint registered owner(s) to sign the entry form on their behalf thereby

binding them all to Kennel Club rules and regulations. In the event of any dispute, evidence of such authority and consent will be required.

A dog acquired subsequent to entry having been made at a competition may compete as the new owner's property provided that an application for the transfer has been forwarded to The Kennel Club before the competition, and the new owner has undertaken to abide by the regulations and conditions of the original entry form (and in accordance with the conditions set out above).

27. Dogs will be disqualified if proved to have been handled in the class by a scheduled judge's spouse or immediate family, or resident at the same address as a scheduled judge.

Following discussion between the chief steward and the show management and/or a veterinary surgeon, a dog shall be prevented from competing and/or removed from the competition if it is:-

- a. A bitch which is in season.
- b. Suffering from any infectious or contagious disease.
- c. Interfering with the safety or chance of winning of an opponent.
- d. Of such temperament or is so much out of control as to be a danger to the safety of any person or other animal.
- e. Likely to cause suffering to the dog if it continues competing.

The circumstances of such a removal shall be recorded in the show Incident Book and submitted to The Kennel Club.

28. Judges' discretion prevails and judges' decisions are final.

29. **DOGS IN VEHICLES ON HOT DAYS**

Your dog is vulnerable and **at risk** if left in a vehicle in high temperatures and even on days considered as slightly warm. Please take care of your dog.

If your dog is found to be at risk forcible entry to your vehicle may be necessary without liability for any damage caused.

30. Welfare of Dogs

An exhibitor (or competitor) whose dog is entered at a Kennel Club licensed event should take all reasonable steps to ensure the needs of their dog(s) are met, and should not knowingly put their dogs' health and welfare at risk by any action, default, omission or otherwise. A breach of this regulation may be referred to the Board for disciplinary action under Kennel Club rules and regulations. The use of pinch collars, electronic shock collars, or prong collars, is not permitted at any rally event licensed by The Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue and within the precincts of the competition.

31. No modifications may be made to the schedule once published except by permission of the Board of The Kennel Club which must be followed by advertisement in the canine press if possible.

32. Animals in Event

No animal other than one officially entered shall be brought into the precincts of a competition during its continuance, except any dogs registered to assist the disabled, or dogs required for educational or instructional purposes or by permission of the Board. However, at the discretion of the host organisation, a dog brought to the show by a spectator may be admitted into the precincts of the competition, with the proviso that those in charge of the dog sign a declaration confirming the dog is free from disease and that the dog will be kept under proper control at all times.

ELIGIBILITY AND SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

Classes at rally competitions

A competition host may stage one or more special classes not conforming to the standard class tests set out in Annex C of the Regulations. Such classes must contain the word 'special' in the title of the class, and shall not count towards progression, titles or awards in standard competition classes.

Levels

Rally handler/dog teams compete in their lowest eligible class from Level 1 to Level 6. They may also compete at the subsequent level.

Progression to the next level does not require either wins or places. Progression is dependent upon gaining three excellent scores, under three different judges, or six qualifying scores under four different judges.

Levels 1 – 4 have a qualifying score of 175 out of 200.

Levels 5 & 6 have a qualifying score of 180 out of 200.

Scores equivalent to these qualifying scores (or greater) earned at limited rally competitions do not count towards progression, rally Level Titles or Excellent titles.

In all levels a qualifying score of 190 or above equates to an excellent score.

Rally handler/dog teams where the dog is 7 years of age or older may compete in Veteran as well as, or instead of, their lowest eligible class.

Veteran has a qualifying score of 175 out of 200. A qualifying score of 190 or above equates to an excellent score.

Eligibility

When entered for a competition, a dog must be entered in a standard class at the level for which it is eligible.

The dog may also, if desired, be entered in up to two additional classes including one further standard level class at the subsequent higher level. Once a dog has earned any level or excellent title, it is no longer eligible for any lower level.

A dog which is 7 years old or over on the first day of the competition may be entered in just a Veteran class. It may also be entered in standard level classes and special classes to a maximum of 3 classes in total.

A dog may be entered in special classes only, up to a maximum of 3 classes in total. Special classes do not count towards progression.

Level 1 - Open to dogs which have not achieved a Level 1 or Level 1 Excellent title.

Level 2 - Open to all dogs which have achieved a Level 1 or Level 1 Excellent title, except those that have achieved a Level 2 or Level 2 Excellent title. Dogs eligible for and entered at Level 1 may also enter at this level.

Level 3 - Open to all dogs which have achieved a Level 2 or Level 2 Excellent title, except those that have achieved a Level 3 or Level 3 Excellent title. Dogs eligible for and entered at Level 2 may also enter at this level.

Level 4 - Open to all dogs which have achieved a Level 3 or Level 3 Excellent title, except those that have achieved a Level 4 or Level 4 Excellent title. Dogs eligible for and entered at Level 3 may also enter at this level

CLASSIFICATION

All classes are capped at 45 entries

CLASS	JUDGE
1. LEVEL 1	Michelle Rodgers
2. LEVEL 2	Leanne Warren
3. LEVEL 3	Joanne Syson
4. LEVEL 4	Kate Wykes

RESERVE JUDGES: Will be appointed as required

Competitors requiring exercise modifications may either fill in the attached Exercise Modification Request form and email it to the Rally Show Secretary, or enter the details in the "Comments" area when entering online.

Food & Drinks will be available to purchase throughout the day

ALL DOGS ARE REQUIRED TO BE ON THE LEAD AT ALL TIMES EXCEPT WHEN COMPETING

PLEASE RESPECT THE VENUE AND CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG AND USE THE BINS PROVIDED

Directions

The building is located just off the A46 dual carriage way which links the M40 (junction 15) with the M69 and M6 (junction 2).

The entrance to Stoneleigh Park is on the B4113 Stoneleigh Road between Coventry and Leamington Spa. This is accessed via the A46 or A45 by following signs for 'Stoneleigh', 'Stoneleigh Park' or 'National Agricultural Centre (NAC)'.

The entrance to the car park is on your left before the main gate.

PLEASE PARK WHERE DIRECTED BY THE STEWARDS



Exercise Modification Request

Please send this completed request to the competition secretary, with your entry form, to request an exercise modification. Exercise modification requests can also be submitted with your online entry. Modifications can only be requested for handlers, not dogs. The competition secretary shall inform the judge before the competition, where possible, to enable the Judge to plan their course appropriately. The Chief Rally Steward shall also be made aware of any modification Requests, to ensure they have the information to assist judges and competitors if needed.

The modification should be as close as possible to the original exercise and all exercises on the course must be completed. The modification must not be a request for leniency in judging. Approval of the exercise modification is at the discretion of the Judge and competition management.

All teams requesting exercise modifications will be judged in accordance with the current rules and regulations.

Handler: _____

Dog's Name: _____

Breed: _____

Classes entered: _____

Please describe the type of modification required:
(For example; more space for wheelchair use, wider turns due to balance issues, use of caller for visually impaired handlers etc.)