

**NORTH WALES GSD CLUB**  
**SCHEDULE OF OPEN RALLY COMPETITION**

(held under Kennel Club Rules and Regulations S and licensed by the Kennel Club Limited)

**Venue: ANGLESEY AGRICULTURAL SHOWGROUND**  
**GWALCHMAI, ANGLESEY, LL65 4RW** (Rally indoors)

Adequate parking at the venue - please park carefully and follow directions from stewards  
Catering from a mobile van (indoors) will be available on site from 8.30am

**SATURDAY/SUNDAY 6/7 APRIL 2019**

(two separate show licences)

Show opens at 8.30am

First walk throughs at 9am, judging starts at 9.30am

Competitors should book in on arrival at the Show Secretary's table

Show Manager: Margaret Booth      Chief Steward: Sharon Formstone

Entry Fee - £6 per entry per dog

Classes

SATURDAY	SUNDAY
1 (level 1) Pat Dobbie	1 (level 1) Tracy McGuirk
2 (level 2) Sally Sanford	2 (level 2) Thelma Cook
3 (level 3) Jane Prince	3 (level 3) Sabine Kanzaria
4 (level 4) Trudy Longhurst	4 (level 4) Bonnie Johnson
5 (level 5) Carole Thornley	5 (level 5) Julia Bodsworth
6 (level 6) Nikki Kirk	6 (level 6) Gail Holl

Reserve judges will be appointed as necessary

Rosettes up to 6<sup>th</sup> place and prize cards up to 4<sup>th</sup> place

Qualifying certificates for all scores of 175 (180 levels 5 & 6) or more

An enter on the day 'fun' class will be provided to raise funds for the Northern & the Welsh Inter-Regional Rally Teams (judged by Nikki Kirk on Saturday & Gail Holl on Sunday). We hope to have a practice ring available each morning.

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Cheques payable to North Wales GSD Club

**Entries Close 14<sup>th</sup> March 2019** [1<sup>st</sup> class postmark]

All qualifications gained up to and including 7<sup>th</sup> March 2019 must be counted when entering this competition

GUARANTOR TO THE KENNEL CLUB

Treasurer: Mrs M Chantrell, Tyn Lon, Holyhead, Anglesey

Vet support: Bodrwnsiwn Vet Group, Mona Industrial Park, 01407 720800

**Directions to venue**

From Chester/Wirral follow A55 into Anglesey on the Britannia Bridge. Continue on the A55 to junction 6 [2<sup>nd</sup> slip road] signed Llangefni. At roundabout take left signposted Gwalchmai [A5].

Follow A5 to venue at Mona. Showground is on the left, just past the airfield.

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.

## **Rules and Regulations**

- 1 – 5. See front of schedule.
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.
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.
10. The committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
11. 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.
12. In the event that the competition is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, the society will refund fees, less reasonably incurred expenses. If the show processor has the provisions to do so, competitors will be refunded in the manner in which they had entered the competition, but in any event the society will refund 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.
13. Should a judge be unable to fulfil their appointment the organiser reserves the right to appoint an alternative judge.
14. It is the competitor's responsibility to be available for their class and running order.
15. 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.
16. 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 and 2 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 3 or higher classes or special classes which incorporate jumps or similar exercises.
17. 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. Entries at this show are not capped. 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.
18. For Limited Shows Entry is limited – not applicable.
19. A dog must not compete in the same class more than once, including special classes.
20. Competitors should book in on arrival at the Show Secretary's table and collect their ring number(s). They should then book in at their ring(s) to indicate they are on site and if necessary choose their running order. Regulation S(B)3.d. Class allocations and approximate start times will be emailed to competitors about a week before the show (or by post if the competitor supplies a SAE).
21. Entry passes are not required to gain entry to the Show.
22. No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of any dog at any time within the precincts of the competition.
23. No competitor shall impugn the decisions of the Judge or Judges.
24. After a dog has commenced competing in a Class no substitution of Handler is permitted in that Class.
25. 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.
26. Food or toys shall not be carried in the ring or given to a dog whilst under test.
27. The attention of competitors is drawn specifically to the Kennel Club Rally Competition Regulations paragraphs 9, 17, and 19.
28. A dog can not be entered in the same class more than once.
29. Once a dog has entered the ring to compete, no further practice may be carried out.
30. 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).
31. 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; or
  - b. suffering from any infectious or contagious disease; or
  - c. interfering with the safety or chance of winning of an opponent; or
  - d. of such temperament or is so much out of control as to be a danger to the safety or wellbeing of any person or other animal; or
  - e. likely to cause suffering to the dog if it continues competing.The circumstances of such a removal shall be recorded in the competition Incident Book and submitted to the Kennel Club.
32. Judges' discretion prevails and Judges' decisions are final.

33. **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.

34. **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.

35. No modifications may be made to the Schedule once published except by permission of the General Committee of the Kennel Club which must be followed by advertisement in the Canine Press if possible.

36. **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 General Committee. 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.

### 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, one further standard class at the next level up, if scheduled, one additional special class, if scheduled, or two additional special classes. A dog may be entered in special classes only, up to a maximum of 3 classes. 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.

### Level 5

- Open to all dogs which have achieved a Level 4 or Level 4 Excellent Title, except those that have achieved a Level 5 or Level 5 Excellent Title. Dogs eligible for and entered at Level 4 may also enter at this level.

### Level 6

- Open to all dogs which have achieved a Level 5 or Level 5 Excellent Title. Dogs eligible for and entered at Level 5 may also enter at this level.

Campers/Caravaners must NOT arrive before 2pm on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April and must vacate the venue asap after the show closes on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April. There is a chemical loo disposal point. There are no electric hook-ups. No BBQs allowed. Generators may be used but MUST be switched off by 10pm. Camping charge £10 per unit per night.

NOTE: this is a full weekend of dog activity including: on the Saturday an Open GSD Breed Show; on the Sunday a Companion Dog Show with Breed and Novelty Classes, a Have a Go Hoopers ring, and Fun Obedience Classes. Contact Malcolm Robinson on 07942898887 for further details.

**There is ample room to exercise your dogs, but please remember this is sheep country and some of the fields and paddocks may contain livestock including ewes with or in lamb. Allowing your dogs to upset the livestock may have serious consequences for both dog and owner.**