

Schedule of Open Rally Competition

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

FITdogs



All Levels are capped at 100 entries

Venue

Thompson House Equestrian Centre
Pepper Lane
Standish
Lancashire WN6 0PP

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Sunday 2nd January 2022

Show opens 9.00am

First walk through 9.15am (approx.)

Judging starts 9.45am (approx.)

(Afternoon classes Walk through not before 1.00pm)

(Class times and allocations will be posted online at www.rallynews.co.uk & KC Rally News)

Entry Fee £7.00 (per dog per class) - NFC entries Free

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 S29. 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: Caroline Ward

30 Sandpiper Close, Blackpool, Lancs. FY3 8FJ - Email: show@fitdogsclub.co.uk

Chief Steward: Gail Holl

Covid Officer: Sarah Stridgeon

Entries close: 13th December 2021 (on line entries preferred)

(all qualifications gained up to and including 6th December 2021 count towards eligibility for this competition)

www.withyourdogrally.co.uk

Vet on Call:

24 hour veterinary hospital is approximately 30 minutes.
Norcross Vets, Norcross Lane, Norcross, FY5 3FT 01253 854545.
(Owners will be responsible for any expenses incurred)



The Show organiser will ensure to the best of its ability that the event is run to Covid Safe guidelines. It is your responsibility to ensure you comply with national and local restrictions including advice given about non-essential travel in and out of locally affected regions (which must not be ignored) – in the interests of the safety of all participants this may give rise to a short notice refusal of entry at the organiser's discretion. The Kennel Club will respect the organiser's exercise of its discretion. If a competitor, or anyone in their household, has Covid-19 related symptoms or has tested positive for Covid-19 they must isolate in line with Government advice.

Judges

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| 1. | LEVEL 1 | Barbara Whittaker | Reserve Judge Gill Douglas |
| 2. | LEVEL 2 | Jo Stocks | |
| 3. | LEVEL 3 | Jo Pay | |
| 4. | LEVEL 4 | Jane Prince | |
| 5. | LEVEL 5 | Trudy Longhurst | |
| 6. | LEVEL 6 | Claire Coughlan | |

Special Fun class Caroline Ward. For the Special Christmas Fun Class points are added rather than taken away, expect a Christmas theme.

Further reserve judges will be appointed as necessary.

No prize money is on offer at the show.

Rosettes & Place cards 1-6 and qualifying cards to all those with a qualifying score of 175 or better in level 1 – 4 and 180 or better in levels 5 and 6 – Judges Special in all classes

ELIGIBILITY AND SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

Rally handler/dog teams compete at one of six levels, from Level 1 to Level 6. They may also compete at the subsequent level.

Progression is dependent on 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 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.

Once a dog has gained any level or excellent title, it is no longer eligible for any lower level.

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

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Judges, As listed. Reserve Judges will be appointed as required
2. There is no sponsorship at this show
3. Entry fees are £7:00 per dog per class
4. Rosettes and prize cards will be awarded for 1st to 6th in all classes. Qualifying Certificates will also be awarded with a qualifying score of 175 or above for levels 1 – 4 and 180 or above for levels 5 & 6 There is no prize money on offer at this show
5. Competitors should bring their own ring number, and personally book in and chose a place in the running order at the class tables adjoining the Secretaries table.
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. A medicated collar may also be worn in the ring
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 dates.
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, 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
17. The classes at all LEVELS at this show are CAPPED AT 100 entries
18. A dog must not compete in the same class more than once, including special classes.
19. Entry passes are not required for this show
20. No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of any dog at any time within the precincts of the competition
21. No competitor shall impugn the decisions of the Judge or Judges.
22. After a dog has commenced competing in a Class no substitution of Handler is permitted in that Class
23. 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
24. 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 have been specified in the Schedule
25. A dog cannot be entered in the same class more than once
27. Once a dog has entered the ring to compete, no further practice may be carried out
28. 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)
29. 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
30. Following discussion between the Chief Steward and the show management and/or a veterinary surgeon, a dog shall be prevented from compete 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 competition Incident Book and submitted to the Kennel Club.
31. Judges' discretion prevails and Judges' decisions are final
32. **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.**
33. **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 General Committee for disciplinary**
34. 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...
35. **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.**

**PLEASE PARK WHERE DIRECTED
BY STEWARDS
All access points MUST be kept clear
please park sensibly**

Dogs must be kept on leads at **all times**, unless competing

Please remember to respect all other users of this venue clean up after your dog and use the bins provided.

Hot food and Drinks will be available on site

*Your dog is vulnerable and AT RISK if left in a vehicle in high temperatures and even on days considered slightly warm.
If your dog is found to be at risk forcible entry to your vehicle may be necessary without liability for any damage caused.*

Directions to Venue – from North and South - Leave M6 at Junction 27

J27 –from the North - take the first left off the roundabout. – From the South take the 3rd exit - Sign posted ‘Standish’ A5209 – after approx. 25 metres take the first left turn off the dual carriageway (S. Whiteacre) Drive approx. 40 metres to cross roads turn right into Shevington Moor. Continue on Shevington Moor for approx. ¼ mile and turn left into Old Pepper Lane. Continue on Old Pepper Lane to the mini roundabout. Turn Right onto Pepper Lane.

The entrance to Thompson House is approx. ¼ mile along Pepper Lane on the left - opposite Robin Hill Lane

