



# ILMINSTER & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB (CIO) SCHEDULE OF OPEN RALLY COMPETITION



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

To be held at SEAVINGTON MILLENIUM HALL, WATER STREET,  
SEAVINGTON, ILMINSTER, SOMERSET, TA19 0QH

on SATURDAY 21<sup>st</sup> OCTOBER 2023

SHOW OPENS AT 8.30 am, WALK THROUGHS FROM 9.00am,

JUDGING STARTS 9.30am

All proceeds will be shared between  
Blood Bikes and Canine Partners.

**GUARANTOR TO THE KENNEL CLUB:** - Lion Lindsey Poole,  
Woodlands Cottage, Isle Abbots, TA3 6RT

**SHOW SECRETARY:** Lion Lindsey Poole, Tel. 0789 9887195.  
Email: LionPooley@gmail.com

**CHIEF STEWARD:** Jenny Butters

**ENTRIES CLOSE:** 25<sup>th</sup> September 2023 (1<sup>st</sup> class post)

**ENTRIES TO:** Lion Lindsey Poole, Woodlands Cottage,  
Isle Abbots, Taunton, TA3 6RT

**ELIGIBILITY:** Last qualifying date: - 18<sup>th</sup> September 2023

**VETERINARY SUPPORT: Minster Vets, Ditton Street,  
Ilminster, Tel. 01460 54287**

## **COVID**

The Society will ensure to the best of its ability that the event is run to Covid safe guidelines. 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 the Government advice at the time. IF YOU WISH TO WEAR A FACEMASK WHILST AT THE VENUE, PLEASE DO

## **CATERING FACILITIES**

Will be available at the venue and provided by Ilminster Lions Club. (Mainly home-made).

**Please clean up after your dog and use the bins provided.**

**Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times, except when competing.**

## **CARAVAN & CAMPING**

West Down Orchard Touring and Camping Park, Lopen Head, South Petherton, TA13 5JH. (Max 2 dogs allowed). Tel. 01460 241538. Tents from £14 per night. Caravan (with & without hook up) from £14 p.n. *1.5 miles from venue.*

Thorney Lakes Camping Site, Thorney, Langport, TA10 0DW, Tel. 01458 250811 (Unlimited dogs). £17 per pitch (+£6 for electric). *6.5 miles from venue.*

## **DOG FRIENDLY ACCOMMODATION IS AVAILABLE AT: -**

AirBnB ranging from £70 to £145 for 2 nights.

Flying Fish, Ashill, 01823 480467

Five Dials Inn, Horton, 01460 55359

Old Stagecoach Stables, Crewkerne, 01460 72972

The Shrubbery, Ilminster, 01460 52108

## **CLASSIFICATION**

<b>CLASS</b>	<b>JUDGE</b>
LEVEL 1	Rosemary Turner
LEVEL 2	Sharon Tamblyn
LEVEL 3	David Cameron
LEVEL 4	Barbara Whittaker
LEVEL 5	Jane Prince
LEVEL 6	Nikki Kirk

**RESERVE JUDGES:** Others will be appointed as necessary.

## **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 as defined below. The dog may also, if desired, be entered in one further standard class at the next level up, if scheduled. In the following definitions, 'achieved a Level 1 Title', 'achieved a Level 2 Title' and so on means that the dog meets the requirements of having gained three qualifying scores of 170 or better, earned under three different judges, at the relevant 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 necessary.
2. Entry fees are £6-50p per dog, per class.
3. Rosettes and place cards will be awarded to 6<sup>th</sup> place in all classes. Qualifying certificates will also be awarded to all competitors gaining a qualification (a score of 180 or above) at this show. There will be NO prize money on offer at this show.
4. The show will open at 8.30am and competitors should book in at the Show Secretary's Table, in the Millennium Hall. The first walk through will be at 9am and first judging will start at 9.30am.
5. No bitch in season can compete.
6. The mating of bitches within the precincts of the competition is forbidden.
7. The committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
8. '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.
9. 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 way 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.

10. Should a judge be unable to fulfil their appointment the organiser reserves the right to appoint an alternative judge.
11. It is the competitor's responsibility to be available for their class and running order.
12. 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.
13. 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.
14. A dog must not be entered or compete in the same class more than once, including special classes
15. 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 Score Stewards table. NB: Class allocations and timings will be sent to all competitors by email a week before the show (or by post if the competitor encloses an SAE).
16. No Entry Passes are required for competitors or officials.
17. No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of any dog at any time within the precincts of the competition.
18. No competitor shall impugn the decisions of the Judge or Judges.
19. After a dog has commenced competing in a Class no substitution of Handler is permitted in that Class.
20. 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. All dogs must enter and leave the judging ring on lead. 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.
21. Food or toys shall not be carried in the ring or given to a dog whilst under test.
22. The attention of competitors is drawn specifically to the Kennel Club Rally Competition Regulations 9, 17, and 19.
23. Once a dog has entered the ring to compete, no further practice may be carried out.
24. 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 after 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).
25. 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.
26. 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 is 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.

27. Judges' discretion prevails, and Judges' decisions are final.

#### **28. 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.

#### **29. 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 action under Kennel Club Rules and Regulations.

30. 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.

#### **31. ANIMALS AT THE 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 always be kept under proper control.