



SCHEDULE OF OPEN RALLY COMPETITION

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

**AT THE GRANGE EQUESTRIAN CENTRE, NORTHLEW ROAD, OKEHAMPTON, DEVON, EX20 3DA**

**SATURDAY 25<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2023**

Show opens – 8.30am, First Walk Through – 9.00am, Judging Starts at 9.30am.

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: Mrs Debra Colling  
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EX20 3DA  
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CHIEF STEWARD: Sarah Lindsey

ENTRIES CLOSE: Monday 6th November 2023.

ENTRIES TO BE MADE TO: Postal entries to Great Widefield Cottage, Northlew Road,  
Okehampton, Devon, EX20 3DA  
Online entries via <http://www.withyourdogrally.co.uk>



ELIGIBILITY: Last qualifying date: Monday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2023

VETERINARY SUPPORT: North Park Vets, 64 North Street, North Tawton, EX20 2DT  
Telephone: 01837 82327

**If a competitor, or anyone in their household, has Covid-19 related symptoms or has tested positive for Covid-19 they must follow Government advice and should consider whether it is appropriate that they attend the event.**

**Running orders will be sent by email.**

**Please book in with the secretary on arrival.**

**The show will close 30 minutes after judging finishes.**

## SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>JUDGE</u>
1. LEVEL 1	Georgina Davies/ Zoe Townsend
2. LEVEL 2	Sharon Tamblyn/ Tom Lindsey
3. LEVEL 3	Moira Connolly
4. LEVEL 4	Stuart Lindsey
5. LEVEL 5	Jenny Butters
6. LEVEL 6	Jenny Butters
7. SPECIAL REWARD CLASS Level 1-3	Mick Hanson
All in this class will have a choice as to whether they work the course on lead or off lead. The course will be judged under standard Rally rules with a designated area where the competitors can reward their dogs up to 3 times during the course. Further explanation will be given at the judges briefing.	
8. SPECIAL REWARD CLASS Level 4-6	Mick Hanson
The course will be judged under standard Rally rules with a designated area where the competitors can reward their dogs up to 3 times during the course. Further explanation will be given at the judges briefing.	
Classes 7 and 8 will be capped at 50 in total. Only 50 entries in total will be taken once this figure is reached both classes will close.	

**RESERVE JUDGES:** Further reserve judges will be appointed as necessary.

**Rosettes and place cards to 6<sup>th</sup> place will be awarded in all standard classes as soon as possible after the class has finished.**

**Qualifying certificates will be issued to all dogs and handlers which achieve the required score for their level (classes 1-4). Please provide the secretary with a large SAE on the day of the show if you wish this to be posted on after the show.**

### **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. 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 are as listed on the schedule of classes. Reserve judges will be appointed as necessary.**
2. **There is no sponsorship at this show**
3. **Entry fees are £7.00 per dog per class.**
4. **Rosettes and place cards will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> place in all classes. Qualifying Certificates will be awarded for qualifying scores of 175 or above for levels 1-4 and for Qualifying scores of 180 or above for Level 5 and 6.**
5. **Competitors must book in on arrival with the secretary, collect their ring number and book in at the ringside table to select a space in the running order.**
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 organiser 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, 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. 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.
18. A dog must not compete in the same class more than once, including special classes

19. All competitors must report to the ringside of all classes entered and book in, by marking a list of entries, within 1 hour of the scheduled time for the start of that class
20. There are no entry passes for this show.
21. No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of any dog at any time within the precincts of the competition.
22. No competitor shall impugn the decisions of the judge or judges.
23. After a dog has commenced competing in a class no substitution of handler is permitted in that class.
24. 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.
25. 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.
26. 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.

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.

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

#### 31. 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.

#### 32. 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.

33. 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.

#### 34. 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.