

FITdogs



Club

Presents their

Christmas Virtual Rally 2020.....

Schedule of virtual rally competition (closely following the Kennel Club Ltd "S" Rules and Regulations).

Take a look at the Kennel Club website for more info on the fun sport of rally and how to do the exercises.

<https://www.thekennelclub.org.uk/events-and-activities/rally/>

Entries open Monday 07th December 2020

More information on how to enter will be made available on our Facebook Group. We will confirm competitor's entries via email along with details on how to pay.

Entries Close Monday 28th December 2020 at Midnight

All entries to be emailed to Caroline Ward (show secretary) show@fitdogsclub.co.uk.

Phone: 01253 305823 (no calls after 9.00pm please)

Entry fee £5 - (this covers 2 classes) A competitor may enter as many classes as they wish in multiples of two classes per entry in any combination.

Entry fee includes optional free entry into our Christmas jumper competition.

Entries to be made online.

Class Information

For each level there are two streams (stream A and stream B).

Stream A is for competitors who are able to film full or partial courses (including heelwork). The bonus exercise can be filmed as part of the course or separately.

Stream B is for competitors who wish to film the signs separately (no heelwork is needed in-between signs).

In stream B a marker (e.g cone, flower pot, sign placed on floor etc) must be used to indicate the placement of the sign holder. The signs must appear in the video submitted in the order the judge has set them on the course.

In both streams' rounds will not be timed. Each stream will have a second bonus sign which should be filmed separately. The second bonus exercise will only be used as a tie breaker in the case of a run off

You can only enter one stream per level and videos must be no longer than 4 minutes for levels 1-3 and 5 minutes for levels 4 – 6 and the special classes.

Rosettes will be awarded for each stream, 1st- 6th in all levels and special classes. Each class will have a judges special.

There is also the option to enter the Christmas jumper competition (included in the entry fee).

Classes

- 1. Level 1 – Jo Stocks**
- 2. Level 2 – Sarah Stridgeon**
- 3. Level 3 – Trudy Longhurst**
- 4. Level 4 – Flo Williams**
- 5. Level 5 – Julie Barrett**
- 6. Level 6 – Gail Holl**
- 7. Special Veteran Class – Jane Prince**
- 8. Special Christmas Fun Class – Caroline Ward**

The Special Veteran class is for dogs aged 7 and over. A low impact course with minimum statics and made up of exercises from different levels.

For the special Christmas Fun class, points are added rather than taken away, expect a Christmas theme.

Proceeds for both our special classes will go to the mental health charity MIND.

Certificates will be awarded for scores of 175 and over in levels 1 – 4 and our special classes. For levels 5 and 6 certificates will be awarded for scores of 180 and over.

Rules

- 1) Judges as listed**
- 2) This event is not being sponsored**
- 3) Entry fee is £5 for 2 classes and includes optional entry into our Christmas Jumper competition.**
- 4) Rosettes to be awarded to 6th place for both streams for all levels and classes. Certificates for competitors who gain a score of 175 or above in levels 1-4 and both special classes and all competitors gaining a score of 180 or above in levels 5 and 6 at this virtual event.**
- 5) No prize money is on offer**
- 6) Entries Open Monday 07th December 2020**
- 7) Entries close Monday 28th December 2020 at midnight.**
- 8) Judging will take place week commencing 2nd January and results will be available from week commencing Monday 18th January 2021.**
- 9) The event organisers have the right to refuse entries.**
- 10) In the event that the competition is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances the organisers will refund fees, less reasonably incurred expenses within 3 months of the event closing date to all those who have entered.**
- 11) Should a judge be unable to judge, the organiser reserves the right to appoint an alternative judge.**
- 12) It is the competitor's responsibility to enter a dog that is fit to compete and submit a video suitable for judging.**
- 13) Should circumstances so dictate, the show organiser, in consultation with the judges, may alter arrangements as necessary**
- 14) Only dogs of six calendar months of age or older, on the day entries open, are eligible to take part in level one, two and three classes. Only dogs age 12 calendar months of age and older, on the day entries open, are eligible to take part in level four or higher.**
- 15) Competitors should enter by following the relevant course plan for their chosen level or class, filming the round, completing the entry form (with online video link) and sending their round to the event organiser.**
- 16) No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of any dog at any time during the video submission.**
- 17) No dog shall be allowed to compete whilst wearing a check chain, half check, halti, harness or slip lead. If a video is submitted where a dog is wearing any of the above equipment the competitor will receive a score of 0.**
- 18) Dogs must compete wearing a snap or buckle collar.**
- 19) No person shall impugn the decisions of the judge or judges.**
- 20) Competitors who want feedback after judging shall contact the event organiser in the first instant.**
- 21) Judges discretion prevails and judges decisions' are final.**
- 22) After a dog has commenced competing in a level or class, no substitution of handler is permitted.**
- 23) Food or toys must not be carried in the hand or given to the dog whilst under test.**
- 24) A dog and handler team may not be entered in the same level or class more than once, however a dog may be entered in the same level or class with a different handler.**
- 25) A handler may enter the same level or class with more than one dog.**

- 26) It is not necessary to use rally sign holders, however sign positions for both streams will need to be made clear using a marker. Markers used must be safe to both dog and handler.
- 27) Dogs belonging to scheduled judges must not be entered in the level they are judging but may be entered in another level or class.
- 28) This event closely adheres to Kennel Club Rally Regulations "S". Exercises will come from KC Rally apart from the Fun Christmas class which may have additional elements.
- 29) Handlers should try and keep themselves and their dog in shot at all times, please try and keep hands visible.
- 30) Videos must be in landscape mode. Videos submitted in portrait mode will receive a score of 0.
- 31) Levels one and two must be worked on lead. All other levels must be worked off lead.
- 32) The event organisers will check that the submitted video link works but will not be verifying the content prior to judging.
- 33) Videos should be submitted to a channel such as YouTube and settings set so that judges can view them.
- 34) All dogs appear with permission of their owners.
- 35) All handlers must adhere to current Covid-19 government guidelines and practise social distancing where necessary.
- 36) As this event is not an official KC event scores will not go towards progression in Kennel Club Rally competitions.

We hope you have fun and enjoy the show.....