

# UNITED SPANIEL ASSOCIATION



Schedule of Licensed

## KC Open Rally Competition Trial and Obreedience

(Held under Kennel Club Rally Rules & Regulations)

### VENUE

Derby College Equestrian Centre, Broomfield Hall, Morley, Derbyshire DE7 6DN

**Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> February 2022**

**Show Opens – 8.30am**

**First Walk Through 9.00am**

**First Judging starts –9.30am**

**Obreedience starts at 10.30 am**

Please book in on arrival at secretary's table and then sign in at your ring.

All competitors to be booked in before 11.00am

*The show will close ½ hour after all judging has been completed.*

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**Nikki Kirk**

**Rally Entry Fees: £6.00 per dog per class**

**Obreedience Heat Class £24.00 (£6 per dog)**

**NFC – Free**

**Rally Secretary: -Shula M Shipton**

**121 Malvern Street, Stapenhill, Burton-on-Trent Staffs. DE15 9DZ.**

**Tel: - 07540 098879 or email [mishules@sky.com](mailto:mishules@sky.com)**

**Online Entries Only via <http://www.withyourdogrally.co.uk>**



Entries close: - 1st February 2022 Wins up to and including 7 days before closing must be counted when entering any class. Running orders will be sent by email.

**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 - The competitor must not attend the event.**

**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.**

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.

## Class no. Judge

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|----------------|------------------------|
| <b>Level 1</b> | <b>Fran Upton</b>      |
| <b>Level 2</b> | <b>Leanne Warren</b>   |
| <b>Level 3</b> | <b>Jay Kanzaria</b>    |
| <b>Level 4</b> | <b>Trudy Longhurst</b> |
| <b>Level 5</b> | <b>Julie Barrett</b>   |
| <b>Level 6</b> | <b>Julie Barrett</b>   |

Rosettes up to 6<sup>th</sup> place.

Qualifying certificates will be issued electronically for all dogs and handlers which achieve the required score for their level after the event.

## **Obreedience Judge Mr G W Paisley**

### Classifications

Rally handler/dog teams compete at one of six levels, from Level 1 to Level 6. 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**

### Eligibility

When entered for a competition in a standard class, a dog must be entered at the level for which it is eligible. The dog may also, if desired, be entered up to two additional classes, one further standard class at the subsequent higher level, one additional special class, or two additional special classes. A dog may be entered in special classes only, up to a maximum of three 3 classes. Special Classes do not count toward 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 1 Excellent Title. Dogs eligible for and entered at Level 5 may also enter at this level.

There will be refreshments available on the day.

There will be a Raffle on the day. Donations will be appreciated.

## 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 £6.00 per dog per class. Obreedience is at £24.00 per team.
4. Rosettes and place cards will be awarded for 1st to 6th in all classes. Qualifying Certificates will be awarded for qualifying scores of 175 or above for levels 1–4 and 180 or above for levels 5 & 6. Certificates will be emailed after the trial. There is no prize money on offer at this show.
5. Competitors should bring their own ring number, and a pen and personally book in and choose a place in the running order at the class tables adjoining the Secretary's 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 a 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 (NFC) 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. A dog must not compete in the same class more than once, including special classes.
18. All competitors must report to the ringside of all classes entered and book in, by marking a list of entries, within one hour of the scheduled time for the commencement of judging of the class.
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 has been specified in the Schedule.
25. A dog cannot be entered in the same class more than once.
26. Once a dog has entered the ring to compete, no further practice may be carried out.
27. 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).
28. Dogs will be disqualified if proven 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 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/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.
29. Judges' discretion prevails and Judges' decisions are final.
30. 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.
31. 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.
32. 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.
33. 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.

## **DIRECTIONS**

**From the South A38 (Birmingham)** – follow A38 to Derby. At first roundabout (traffic lights) go straight on At second roundabout (McDonalds), go straight on, follow for 4 miles At 3rd roundabout, take 3rd exit At next roundabout take 1st exit signposted Breadsall Follow road through Breadsall village – when road bends sharp left – go straight on At junction at the top, turn left onto A608, follow for 1 mile Pass the main drive to Derby College, Broomfield Hall on the left At the top of the hill, take the drive on the left into Derby College Equestrian Centre Parking is at the top of the drive on the left

**From M1 north** – J28 M1, take A38 to Derby, follow for 10 miles At roundabout take 1st exit At next roundabout take 1st exit signposted Breadsall Follow road through Breadsall village – when road bends sharp left – go straight on At junction at the top, turn left onto A608, follow for 1 mile Pass the main drive to Derby College, Broomfield Hall on the left At the top of the hill, take the drive on the left into Derby College Equestrian Centre Parking is at the top of the drive on the left

**From M1 South** – J25 M1, take A52 into Derby, follow for 5 miles. At the roundabout take 3rd exit – A61. At the next roundabout take 1st exit – A608 to Heanor, follow for 5 miles Pass the main drive to Derby College, Broomfield Hall on the left. At the top of the hill, take the drive on the left into Derby College Equestrian Centre Parking is at the top of the drive on the left

The yard number is 07980 891295 if you get lost, it will be manned from 9 am – 4.30 pm.

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| <b>United Spaniel Association</b><br>Open Rally Competition<br>Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> February, 2022<br>Derby College Equestrian Centre, Broomfield Hall, Morley,<br>Derbyshire DE7 6DN<br>(to be held under Kennel Club Limited Rally Rules and Regulations) | <i>Closing date - - 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022</i><br><i>"On no account will entries be accepted without fees".</i><br><b>Entry fees £6.00 per dog per class</b><br><b>Total number of entries _____ Amount enclosed £ _____ Please make cheques payable to United Spaniel Association</b> |
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**INSTRUCTIONS** This form must be used by one person only (or partnership). Writing **MUST BE IN INK OR INDELIBLE PENCIL**. Use one line only for each dog. The name of the dog and all the details as recorded with the Kennel Club must be given on this entry form. If an error is made the dog may be disqualified by the General Committee of the Kennel Club. All dogs must be REGISTERED at the Kennel Club in the name of the owner. If the registration or transfer of ownership has not been confirmed it must be applied for before the closing date of entries. In case of dispute proof of postage of such applications may be required by the Kennel Club. Dogs under 12 months of age on the day of the competition cannot be entered for competition in Level 2 or 3 classes. On no account will entries be accepted without fees. If a dog is in the process of Registration or Transfer at the time entry is made, add the letters NAF or TAF as appropriate after its name. For new registrations, the first choice name on the Registration Application form must be used. Please USE BLOCK CAPITALS throughout when completing this entry form. PLEASE CHECK ALL DETAILS BEFORE POSTING.

| REGISTERED NAME OF DOG | BREED | Full Date of Birth | SEX<br>D or B | Height (cm) | CLASS TO BE ENTERED |
|------------------------|-------|--------------------|---------------|-------------|---------------------|
| KRegNo(or*ATCNo)       |       |                    |               |             |                     |
| KRegNo(or*ATCNo)       |       |                    |               |             |                     |
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| <p><b>DECLARATION</b><br/>         I/We agree to submit to and be bound by the Kennel Club Ltd Rules and Regulations in their present form or as they may be amended from time to time in relation to all canine matters with which the Kennel Club is concerned and that this is made upon the basis that all current single or joint registered owners of this dog(s) have authorised/consented to this entry. I/we also undertake to abide by the Regulations of this Competition and not to bring to the Competition any dog, which has contracted or been knowingly exposed to any infectious or contagious disease during the 21 days prior to the day of the Competition, or which is suffering from a visible condition which adversely effects its health or welfare.<br/>         I/We further declare that, I believe to the best of my knowledge that dogs are not liable to disqualification under Kennel Club Regulations.</p> <p>Usual Signature of Owner(s) ..... Date .....</p> <p><b>NOTE: Dogs entered in breach of Kennel Club Regulations are liable to disqualification whether or not the owner was aware of the breach.</b></p> | <p>In the case of joint registered ownership the name of every owner must be given here</p> <p>Name(s) .....</p> <p>Address .....</p> <p>Postcode ..... Phone No.....</p> <p>E-Mail address .....</p> <p>Your address will appear in the catalogue unless you tick here <input type="checkbox"/></p> <hr/> <p><b>Online Entries Only via <a href="http://www.withyourdogrally.co.uk">http://www.withyourdogrally.co.uk</a></b></p> |
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\*The Kennel Club Registration Number (or the Authority to Compete number for dogs resident outside the UK) must be stated or the entry will be returned.

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| <b>United Spaniel Association</b><br>Obreedience Competition<br>Sunday 13 <sup>th</sup> February, 2022<br>Derby College Equestrian Centre, Broomfield Hall, Morley,<br>Derbyshire DE7 6DN<br>(to be held under Kennel Club Limited Rules and Regulations) | <b>CLOSING DATE: 1<sup>st</sup> February 2022</b><br><b>ENTRY FEE: £24.00 (£6 PER DOG)</b><br><i>On no account will entries be accepted without fees</i> |
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|--|---------------|---------------|---------|--------------------------|-----------------------|---------------|
| TEAM NAME AND BREED:   | TEAM CAPTAIN: |               |         | TEAM CAPTAIN CONTACT NO: |                       |               |
| REGISTERED NAME OF DOG<br>Followed by K.C. Reg. No. (or *ATC No) | SEX<br>D or B | DATE OF BIRTH | HANDLER | OWNER                    | OWNER'S TELEPHONE NO. | OWNER'S EMAIL |
|  |               |               |         |                          |                       |               |
| KC Reg No (or *ATC No)   |               |               |         |                          |                       |               |
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| KC Reg No (or *ATC No)   |               |               |         |                          |                       |               |
| Reserve 1  |               |               |         |                          |                       |               |
| KC Reg No (or *ATC No)   |               |               |         |                          |                       |               |
| Reserve 2  |               |               |         |                          |                       |               |
| KC Reg No (or *ATC No)   |               |               |         |                          |                       |               |

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**THE KENNEL CLUB**

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## **Exercise Modification Request**

Please send this request with the competitor's entry form to the Show Secretary. The Show Secretary shall inform the Judge and attach the EMR to the scribe sheet.

The modification should be as close as possible to the original exercise and all exercises on the course must be completed. The modification must not be a request for leniency in judging. Approval of the exercise modification is at the discretion of the Judge.

All teams requesting exercise modifications will be judged in accordance with the current rules and regulations.

Handler: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Registration No: \_\_\_\_\_

Classes entered: \_\_\_\_\_

State Assistance / Modification Required:

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(For example more space for wheelchair use)

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## **Obreedience Crufts Team Competition (Special) 2023**

### **Introduction**

The aim of Obreedience is to encourage a wider variety of different breeds to take part in a competition which includes some of the exercises generally associated with obedience. Obreedience is a team event and highlights the abilities of different breeds in a relaxed and fun competition.

Each team is comprised of four handlers and four dogs who take part in two rounds of competition. The first section requires all four dogs to complete a round of heelwork together as a group, with the dogs and handlers being assessed on their ability to complete different moves whilst remaining synchronised as a team. This first round is marked out of 10 points.

Round two features four set exercises and each team member has to complete one of four different exercises. The exercises include a retrieve (handler's own article), send to bed, stop the dog and scent over articles. Round two is marked out of 40 points (10 points per set exercise). Once all teams have completed the two rounds, the scores are compiled and the team with the highest score will be placed 1st.

### **Heats**

All heats must take place at events licensed by The Kennel Club and the class name in the schedule should replicate exactly the name of the competition as stated in these rules.

Dogs entered must be registered with The Kennel Club on the Breed Register, or on the Activity Register as a Kennel Club recognised pedigree breed (crossbreeds are not eligible to compete in Obreedience).

To qualify for the final points will be accumulated throughout the year at designated heats. The team name should remain the same throughout all the heats. Substitution of dogs or handlers cannot be made after the closing date for that heat. A dog may only compete in one team per heat.

If at the conclusion of the heats there is an equality of points, the team which has achieved the highest place will take preference.

The heats will be scheduled as a special class for pedigree dogs. There will be separate heats with the top 10 teams at each heat eligible to receive points.

### **Eligibility**

Each team will consist of 4 dogs of the same breed with 4 separate handlers, plus up to 2 reserves at each heat. Teams are allowed to use different dogs at each heat, providing they are of the same breed. Only one team per breed will qualify for the Crufts final. No more than one dog in each team can have won out of Class A at Kennel Club licensed G regulation Open or Championship obedience shows.

### **Competition Rules**

#### **Round 1 - Heelwork**

##### **Heel on lead (team) - 10 points**

- All four team members will be guided into the ring by a steward. A line will be drawn on the floor as the starting point. Handlers must keep the same spacing throughout the exercise. All heelwork will be conducted on a loose lead, at normal pace and extra commands will be permitted throughout
- All dogs and handlers must start, halt and turn together
- There will be two about turns, one right and one left turn and a three-pole weave
- The weave will be entered from the right hand side (with the first cone on the dog's left)



- Each team will be marked on their ability to conduct heelwork as a group and their overall heelwork capabilities, i.e. ability to keep the team in unison, turn accordingly whilst keeping the dogs at heel. Dogs will not be judged on their style or closeness of position but will be judged on the ability of the dog to remain the same distance from the handler from the start to the finish of the exercise

## **Round 2 - Set exercises**

### **Exercise 2 - Send to bed - 10 points**

- The bed used will be selected by the handler and the handler will carry this with them into the ring
- Each handler will stand on their starting point until directed by the steward
- Before commencing this exercise, each handler will advise the steward as to which position their dog will adopt on the bed. The judge will be looking for each dog's body to be on the bed. Points will be deducted appropriately for dogs that do not have all of their body on the bed
- On the steward's command each handler will walk out with the dog on lead and place their bed on the designated spot. Each handler will then show the dog where the bed is. Dogs may be placed on the bed if desired
- Each handler will then return to the starting point and upon the steward's command the handler will send their dog to bed
- On the steward's command, the handler is to return to the dog, replace the lead and release

### **Exercise 3 - Stop on recall and play - 10 points**

- Each handler will stand on their starting point until directed by the steward
- Dogs may be left in a sit, down or stand position. Marks will be deducted for movement and/or anticipation
- A large marked area will be set up on the floor and this will be where the judge will require each dog to be stopped
- Handlers will then be directed by the steward to leave their dog and walk to a designated spot, then call their dog and stop the dog in the area
- A sit, down or stand position will be accepted as a stop position
- Extra commands will be permitted throughout the exercise
- Once the dog has been stopped, on the steward's command, the handler to return to the dog and replace the lead and then release and play with the dog under control (with or without a toy). They will then move back to the starting position. The toy must be concealed from sight when the stop command is given

### **Exercise 4 - Retrieve (10 points)**

- Handler's own article
- The exercise will be conducted on steward's command and will include a present and finish
- A reasonable length of throw is required (past the judge)

### **Exercise 5 - Scent (10 points)**

- The article used (any kind of article can be used except a dumbbell) will be the handler's own article and the handler will carry this into the ring. It will then be placed on a tray which the steward will then use to place amongst the other articles (in a position of the judge's choice). Note the judge will mark a line designating the scent area
- Extra commands will *not* be permitted whilst the dog is over the scent area. The pattern of five mixed articles will be placed in a straight line
- On the steward's command, each dog will then be required to do a scent amongst five mixed articles plus the handler's article

- The exercise will be conducted on steward's command and will include a present and finish

### **Qualifying For Final (to be held at Crufts)**

Each team will consist of four dogs of the same breed with four separate handlers, plus up to two reserves at each heat. Teams are allowed to use different dogs at each heat, providing they are of the same breed. Only one team per breed will qualify for the Crufts final. No more than one dog in each team can have won out of class A at Kennel Club licensed G regulation open or championship obedience shows.

There is no limit on the number of heats in which a team may compete. Points will be awarded to the team as follows:

- 1st place = 10 points, 2nd place = 9 points etc. down to 10th place = 1 point

After the final heat has taken place, the top 10 teams will be invited to compete at Crufts, selection will be subject to the Crufts management's discretion:

1. The team with the highest number of points within each breed will represent that breed in the final. In the event that two or more teams of the same breed have the same number of points, the team which has achieved the highest placing at the heats will take precedence. A maximum of three breeds will be invited to compete in the final from any one breed group subject to the Crufts management's discretion
2. If more than three breed representative teams within the shortlist belong to the same breed group, only the three highest scoring teams within that group will be invited to compete at Crufts. The remaining places in the top ten will be offered to the breed representative team(s) with the next highest total points
3. It is down to the team manager's discretion as to who competes within the team invited to compete at Crufts
4. Should your team be successful in qualifying for the finals at Crufts, an entry fee per team will be required

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