



## **Schedule of Open Rally Competition**

(to be held under Kennel Club Rules & Regulations S & licensed by the Kennel club Limited)

### **Venue**

Northumberland Canine Centre  
West Moor, Felton  
Northumberland  
NE65 9QE

### **Sunday 24th November 2024**

Show opens 8.30am

First walk through 9.00am (approx)

Judging starts 9.30am (approx)

(Afternoon classes Walk through not before 12.00pm)

(Class times and allocations will be posted online at

[www.rallynews.co.uk](http://www.rallynews.co.uk) & Rally News)

The officers and committee members of the society/or the licence 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 Regulations S29. In doing so 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: Sharon Dunn**

9 The Village, Christon Bank, Alnwick, Northumberland NE66 3EY  
email: [sharondunn1560@gmail.com](mailto:sharondunn1560@gmail.com) Tel: 07864509276 (before 9pm please)

### **Chief Steward: Amy Jackson**

### **Entries close: 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2024**

(all qualifications gained up to and including 27th October 2024 count towards eligibility for this competition)

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

Postal and email entries with correct fees to be sent to the Show Secretary (details above) Cheques to be made payable to 'Northumberland Canine Centre'. BAC's payments to sort; 30-90-13 acct; 00440804

### **Vet on Call:**

Alnorthumbria Veterinary Practice, Wagonway Rd, Alnwick NE66 1QQ 01665 510999  
(Owners are responsible for any expenses incurred)

Please note: Gunshot may be heard from this venue.

All classes at this show are capped at 40  
Entries will be processed in the order in which they are received.

## Judges

1. LEVEL 1 Kate Draper
2. LEVEL 2 Denise Bratton
3. LEVEL 3 Carol Fox
4. LEVEL 4 Alyson Hunter
5. LEVEL 5 Gail Holl
6. LEVEL 6 Gail Holl

Reserve Judges will be appointed where necessary.

**No prize money is on offer at the show. Rosettes  
& Place cards 1-6 and qualifying cards.  
All those with a qualifying score of 175 or better in level 1 – 4 and Veteran  
and 180 or better in levels 5 and 6**

## 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.

Rally handler/dog team where the dog is 7 years of age or older may compete in Veteran as well as, or instead of, their lowest eligible class.

Veteran has a qualifying score of 175 out of 200. 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, including one further standard level class at the subsequent higher level. Once a dog has any level or excellent title, it is no longer eligible for any lower level.

A dog which is 7 years old or over on the first day of the competition may be entered in just a Veteran class. It may also be entered in standard level classes and special classes to a maximum of 3 classes in total.

A dog may be entered in special classes only, up to a maximum of 3 classes in total. Special classes do not count towards 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 5 Excellent Title. Dogs eligible for and entered at Level 5 may also enter at this level.

**Veteran** – Open to all dogs aged 7 years or over on the first day of the competition.

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. Judges, As listed. Reserve Judges will be appointed as required.

2. There are Rosettes and prize cards are sponsored by NCC

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 190 or above for levels 5 & 6 There is no prize money on offer at this show.

5. Competitors should collect their own ring number or bring their own 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. **When in use, one end of the lead must be attached to a ring on the dog's collar and the other should be held in the handler's hand(s), except for when performing Bonus Exercises 4 or 5 where the handler has chosen for their dog to drag the 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. **. A dog which is 7 years old or over on the first day of the competition may be entered in a Veteran class.**

17. **Classes at this competition are capped at 40.**

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
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 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
29. 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.
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 General Committee for disciplinary.
33. 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...
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 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.
35. Minors under the age of 14 years must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

# **PLEASE PARK WHERE DIRECTED BY STEWARD**

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 & cold food and drinks will be available on site all day  
courtesy of**

**‘Cowey’s Kitchen’ catering van**

**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 South**

Continue on A1 North after Morpeth by-pass heading towards Alnwick. Once past Bockenfield Caravan Park on right 1 mile further on A1 take left turn signposted Howdens/Weldon Bridge - Centre is 500yds along road on left.

## **From North**

Continue on A1 South after Alnwick heading towards Morpeth. Once past Felton by-pass onto single carriageway take right turn signposted Howdens/Weldon Bridge - Centre is 500 yards along road on left.