

Sheffield GSD Society

SCHEDULE OF OPEN RALLY COMPETITION

(Capped at 40 entries per class) (Held under Kennel Club Rules & Regulations S and licensed by the Kennel Club)

VENUE

Newark & Notts Showground, Winthorpe, Newark, NG24 2NY

Sunday 13th of April 2025 Show Opens – 8.30 am Walk Through – 9.30 am (approx.) Judging Starts – 10 am (approx.)

In conjunction with an Open Obedience Show and Obreedience

Entry Fee: £7.50 per dog per class – NFC Entries are free

The show will close ½ hour after all judging has been completed **RINGS ARE OUTSIDE**

<u>GUARANTOR TO THE KENNEL CLUB LTD: -</u> Anne Hardy – Tel 01777 703417

Chief Steward: J. Kanzaria Show Secretary: S. Kanzaria Any Queries please email the Show Secretary at bestpaw321@hotmail.co.uk

ENTRIES CLOSE 28th of March 2025 (Entries only With Your Dog)

Wins up to and including 7 days before closing date (21st of March 25) must be counted when entering any class. Class allocations will be emailed to competitors and shown on <u>www.rallynews.co.uk</u>

Entries via www.withyourdogrally.co.uk

VETS ON CALL: Minster Veterinary Hospital, Malt Kiln Lane, Newark, NG24 1HN (Vet Fees are the responsibility of the owner)

<u>CLASS</u>	JUDGE
Level 1	Jane Ferguson
Level 2	Lucia Parackova
Level 3	Leanne Warren
Level 4	Betty Keepax

Rosettes & Place Cards – 1st to 6th place – Certificate for qualifying scores in all classes. No price money is on offer at this show.

5 PLEASE OBSERVE THE 5mph SPEED LIMIT WITHIN THE PRECINCT

DOGS MUST BE KEPT ON LEAD AT ALL TIMES APART FROM WHEN COMPETING. DOGS IN VEHICLES ON HOT OR COLD DAYS: Your dog is vulnerable and AT RISK if left in a vehicle in low or 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.

On the day there will be a food van where you can purchase drinks and hot food.

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, however, a class will be won by the dog that has lost the least number of points, unless otherwise stated for special classes. 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. Rally/Handler dog teams 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 gained 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 & REGULATIONS

1. Judges are as listed; additional Judges will be appointed as necessary.

2. No Sponsorship at this Show.

3. Entry fee is £7.50 per dog per class.

4. Rosettes and prize cards 1st to 6th place. Qualifying Certificates to all competitors with a qualifying score of 175 (L1-4) or 180 (L5 & 6) or better. No prize money is on offer.

5. Competitors should report to the Show Secretary's desk to collect competition ring numbers, then personally book in at the ring side table and chose a place in the running order. Booking in – 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. The class lists will be provided by show management and will be available from the stated opening time of the show Animals allowed 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.

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 in 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 12 weeks and over. Details of each dog must be recorded on the entry form and must be KC registered.

12. In the event that the competition is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, the organisers/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 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 Royal 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 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. 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 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. For limited shows entry is limited.

19. A dog must not compete in the same class more than once, including special classes

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21. Entry passes are not required to gain entry to the show.

22. No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of any dog at any time within the precincts of the competition

23. No competitor shall impugn the decision of the judge or judges

24. After a dog has commenced competing in a class no substitution of handler is permitted in that class.

25. 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.

26. 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 22. A dog cannot be entered in the same class more than once.

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28. Once a dog has entered the ring to compete, no further practice may be carried out.

29. 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 Cub Rules & 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 completion may compete as the new owner's property provided that and application for the transfer has been forwarded to the Royal 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.)

30. 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 form, the Competition if it is: - a. A bitch which is in season.

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b. Suffering from any infectious of contagious disease,

c. Interfering with the safety of chance of winning of an opponent.

d. Of such temperament or so much out of hand 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 Royal Kennel Club

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

32. An exhibitor or competitor should ensure that details for any handler are available and must be provided upon request upon request in any investigation of a breach of this regulation by such handler.

33. <u>DOGS IN VEHICLES ON HOT DAYS</u> Your dog is vulnerable and at risk if left in a vehicle in high temperatures and on days considered as slight 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.

34. 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 need 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.

35. 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

36. <u>Animals allowed in Event</u>. 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.