

Stoneleigh Rally

SCHEDULE OF OPEN RALLY COMPETITION

(held under Kennel Club Rules & Regulations S and licenced by the Royal Kennel Club Limited)

The Kennel Club Building, Stoneleigh Park Near Coventry, Warwickshire CV8 2LZ

For SATNAV please use postcode CV8 2LG

Mobile enquiries on the day to 07818 468113

Bank Holiday Monday 26th May 2025

SHOW OPENS 8:00am - FIRST WALK THROUGH 8:30am - JUDGING STARTS 9:00am

(Class allocations and timings will be posted on www.stoneleighrally.co.uk)

Special Reward Classes
"Pay On The Day" Training Ring

Qualifying Rosettes for Levels 1-6 & Veteran
plus Rosettes for 1st to 6th in all classes



Odd Dog UK will be in attendance and have kindly provided discount vouchers for all Class Winners

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 Royal 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 S31. 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:

Rachel Bradley

CHIEF STEWARD:

John Wykes

ENTRIES CLOSE:

Monday 28th April 2025 (1st class postmark and online)

If using Royal Mail you are advised to enter early and get proof of posting.

ENTRIES TO BE MADE TO:

The Show Secretary or via www.withyourdogrally.co.uk



Rachel Bradley, Vermont, Gravel Pit Lane, Rowney Green,
Alvechurch, Birmingham B48 7QG

Tel: 01527 591519 no calls after 9pm please

Email: rallyshow@stoneleighrally.co.uk

ELIGIBILITY:

Last qualifying date: **21st April 2025**

Please only use qualifiers earned on or before this date when working out which class(es) to enter.

VETERINARY SUPPORT:

Avonvale Veterinary Centre, Tel: 01926 400255
6 Wedgcock Estate, Broxall Close, Warwick CV34 5QF



Special Reward Classes



Please note that you may only enter a **maximum of 3** Rally classes. Please read the Eligibility section carefully, especially if you are entering Veteran.

Guidelines for all Special Reward Classes

All the Special Classes this year allow the use of rewards and aim to provide the opportunity for handlers to reward their dogs in a competitive ring set-up. Rewards may be food and/or a silent toy at the handler's choice. All special reward classes will provide a minimum of 3 rewarding opportunities, at least one of these will allow rewarding in place at the end of a static exercise.

Each class will include at least one reward area which will contain a table or box to allow the handler to pre-place their reward(s) if they wish. Rewards may also be carried concealed upon the handler's person, but not carried in the hand. Food rewards should be throwable food (i.e. that will not break up) in a sealed container.

Scoring for Special Reward Classes

All the special classes will be scored in the same way as a standard class. However, for the special classes only, the following will earn a 10-point deduction instead of an "NQ":

- Touching the dog to prompt an exercise
- Exceeding course time (unless an EMR for time has been approved)
- Consistently tight lead
- Handler misses or does not attempt an exercise

Please note that Special classes are not Qualifying classes so do not count towards titles or progression.

Special Level One Plus Reward Class

Open to dog and handler teams who do not yet have a Level 3 title.

There will be 8-12 exercises from Levels 1-3, all of which must be able to be performed on lead. There will be a minimum of 2 static positions and a maximum of 8. There will be no separate Bonus Exercise as the judge will award bonus points for effective use of your rewards. The judge may choose to use a bonus exercise within the course.

The course may be worked on or off lead at the handler's choice. If working on-lead there will be a section which can be attempted off lead if the handler wishes. The judge will indicate where to remove, and then reattach, your dog's lead.

Special Level Three Plus Reward Class

Open to all dog and handler teams over 12 months old, however, this class is aimed at those working Level 3 and above so will be worked off lead.

There will be 12-17 exercises from all Levels, limited to a maximum of 2 Level 5 exercises and 2 Level 6 exercises. There will be between 2 and 12 static positions and a maximum of 2 jump exercises. There will be no separate Bonus Exercise, instead bonus points will be awarded for effective use of rewards, however, the judge may choose to use a bonus exercise within the course.

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Pay On The Day Training Ring

There will also be a training ring available. This will be open for set times during the day and there will be an experienced judge and trainer on hand to assist you. Food and silent toys will be allowed.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Our judges are: Helen Belcher, Claire Coughlan, Kathleen Daly, Lisa Davies, Ann Lee, Sarah Lindsey, Martin Robinson, Lisa Sergiew, Joanne Syson, Leanne Ward. Other judges will be appointed as necessary.
2. We thank Odd Dog UK, who will be providing discount vouchers for all class winners and everyone who entered the Stoneleigh Rally Online Relay Show (Happy New Year 2025), whose entry fees have sponsored the rosettes for this show.
3. Standard classes are £12 an entry, Special classes are £8.
4. Qualifying Certificates and Rosettes will be provided for all dogs achieving a qualifying score in the standard classes. Place cards and rosettes will be awarded from 1st to 6th in all classes.
5. Competitors should book-in at the Show 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 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.
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 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 and 2 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. 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. Classes will not be capped at this show.
18. A dog must not compete in the same class more than once, including special classes
19. All competitors should collect their ring numbers from the Secretary's table and then proceed to their rings where they should mark themselves present and choose a running order.
20. Entry passes will not be required 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.
26. The attention of competitors is drawn specifically to the Kennel Club Rally Competition Regulations 9, 17, and 19.
27. A dog can not be entered in the same class more than once.
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 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).

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 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.

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

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

34. **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.

35. 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.

36. 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.

Animals in Event

33. 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.

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 to 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 (*unless only entering special classes*)

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 earned 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.

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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.

CLASSIFICATION

CLASS

1. LEVEL 1
2. LEVEL 2
3. LEVEL 3
4. LEVEL 4
5. LEVEL 5
6. LEVEL 6
7. VETERAN
8. Special Level 1 Plus Reward
9. Special Level 3 Plus Reward

JUDGE

Lisa Davies
Lisa Sergiew
Martin Robinson
Kathleen Daly
Ann Lee
Claire Coughlan
*Sarah Lindsey **
Joanne Syson
*Sarah Lindsey **

RESERVE

Leanne Ward
Helen Belcher

* If the combined entry for classes 7 & 9 exceeds 50 dogs a replacement judge will be found for class 9.

There will be a Pay On The Day Training Ring with experienced trainers and judges on hand. Food and silent toy rewards are encouraged.

Refreshments and hot drinks will be available throughout the day.

Directions

The building is located just off the A46 dual carriage way which links the M40 (junction 15) with the M69 and M6 (junction 2).

The entrance to Stoneleigh Park is on the B4113 Stoneleigh Road between Coventry and Leamington Spa. This is accessed via the A46 or A45 by following signs for 'Stoneleigh', 'Stoneleigh Park' or 'National Agricultural Centre (NAC)'.

The entrance to the car park is on your left before the main gate.

PLEASE PARK WHERE DIRECTED BY THE STEWARDS

Please clean up after your dog and use the bins provided.

*Dogs must be kept on leads at **all times**, unless competing*

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

We are pleased to welcome back the Odd Dog UK trade stand:



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Odd Dog UK is a small, independent company, with over 40 year's experience in dog sports. Alongside our top quality leads and collars, retrieve training kits, and FCI equipment, we also have a big selection of podiums and platforms for body awareness and core strength building. Specialising in making innovative training kit, we are always happy to custom make bespoke items.