

# Somerset Rally Obedience Training



## Schedule of Two Day Open Rally Competition

(held under Kennel Club Rules & Regulations S and licensed by the Kennel Club Ltd)

#### VENUE

West Buckland Village Hall + Field Silver Street, West Buckland Wellington, Somerset TA21 9NA



## Sat 13th & Sun 14th September 2025

Show opens: 8:00 am
First walk through: 8:45 am (approx.)
Judging starts: 9:15 am (approx.)
(Afternoon classes walk through not before 1.30pm)

## All classes on Sunday 14th to be capped at 40 entries per level

( Class times and allocations will be posted online at www.rallynews.co.uk & KC rally news )

Entry Fees: £7.50 per dog per class, dogs NFC free

The officers and committee members of the society/or the licensee holding the license are deemed responsible for organizing 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 it's 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 organization of the competition and that this is a binding undertaking.

Show Secretary: Pat Somerset, 19 Popes Lane, Rockwell Green, Wellington, Somerset TA21 9DQ

Email: <a href="mailto:tesremosp@gmail.com">tesremosp@gmail.com</a>

**Chief Stewards:** Saturday - Julie Barrett Sunday - Jenny Butters

**Entries Close: 25<sup>th</sup> August 2025** (post marked first class, online entries preferred) (Qualifications up to and including 18<sup>th</sup> August 2025, count towards eligibility for this competition)

**VETERINARY SUPPORT:** The Mount Veterinary Hospital, Taunton Road, Wellington, Somerset TA21 9FG Tel: 01823662286 (owners responsible for any costs incurred)

## **Judges**

Saturday 13th September		Sunday 14 <sup>th</sup> September		
Level 1	Alex Cook	Level 1	Carol Beaney	
Level 2	Rachel Holley	Level 2	Martin Robinson	
Level 3	Tom Lindsey	Level 3	Zoe Townsend	
Level 4	Tony Lewenz	Level 4	Sharon Tamblyn	
Level 5	Claire Price	Level 5	Jo Stocks	
Level 6	Claire Price	Level 6	Jo Stocks	
Veteran	Sue Garner	Veteran	<b>Trudy Longhurst</b>	

#### Reserve judges will be appointed as required

No prize money is on offer at this show. Rosettes and Prize Cards will be awarded for 1st to 6th place in each class. Certificates and Ribbons will be issued for qualifying scores in each class. Judges Special awards may be given at Judges discretion .Rings will be outside and all will be netted

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

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Please clear up after your dog, please use the bins/bags provided.

Please park where directed by the Stewards, adhering to 5 mph speed limit within the precincts of the grounds All access points must be kept clear, please park sensibly

## Directions - IMPORTANT !!!! PLEASE READ AND TAKE NOTE!

Somerset Council have pulled out all the stops this year and in order to resurface the link road and roundabout – that has been on hold for many years – they have decided to totally shut junction 26 of the M5, this includes both exit and entry slip roads to and from the M5, Sawyers Hill which is the road up to West Buckland, and the link road from Chelston up to the junction, access only for the industrial estate, commencing on the 15th June until the end of September. For people coming from Cornwall/Devon way heading North up the M5, exit at junction 27 for Tiverton/Wellington. I would strongly suggest that anyone travelling South on the M5 bypasses Taunton junction 25 and continues down to junction 27. If you come off at Taunton you will have to navigate the town and there are numerous roadworks throughout the town and coming towards Wellington -why not do them all at the same time !!\_- so it would be easier to go to junction 27 and come back on yourself. When you come off at  $27 - 1^{st}$  exit for those southbound,  $2^{nd}$  exit for those coming off the A361 and 3<sup>rd</sup> exit for those northbound – you will be on the A38. This is a fairly straight forward road into Wellington of approximately 7 miles. When you get to the roundabout on the new housing estate at Wellington, take the  $2^{nd}$  exit, this is the relief road taking you round the town rather than going through it. At the next roundabout take the 2<sup>nd</sup> exit onto next roundabout then take the 3<sup>rd</sup> exit towards Taunton. Follow this road, at the start of the bend is Blackdown Garden Centre and as you come out of the bend is Willowbrook Garden Centre, continue up the road a bit more and you will see on your right a pub called the Worlds End. Turn right into Silver Street at that junction.

Continue up Silver Street, you will see the West Buckland sign on your left and just after that you will see the village hall on your left as well. Well done for getting there!

## ALL RINGS WILL BE CLOSED BETWEEN 12.30 AND 13.30 FOR LUNCH

Tea, coffee and snacks will be available to buy throughout the day from the hall kitchen.

### **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. Progression is dependent upon gaining 3 Excellent scores under 3 different judges, or 6 qualifying scores under 4 different judges. Levels 1 – 4 have a qualifying score of 175 out of 200 and 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.

#### **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 2 additional classes, either 1 further standard class at the next level up, if scheduled, plus 1 additional special class, if scheduled, or 2 additional special classes. A dog may be entered in special classes only, up to a maximum of 3 classes. Special classes do not count towards progression

- <u>Level 1</u> Open to dogs which have not achieved a Level 1 or Level 1 Excellent Title
- <u>Level 2</u> 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.
- <u>Level 3</u> 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.
- <u>Level 4</u> 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.
- <u>Level 5</u> 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.
- <u>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.</u>
- Veteran Open to all dogs 7 years or over on the first day of the competition

#### **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

These Rules & Regulations are to be read in conjunction with the Kennel Club Rally Regulations S under which this show is licensed. It is the responsibility of everyone entering this show to make themselves familiar with the Kennel Club Rally Regulations, available from the Kennel Club

- 1. Judges as listed. Reserve Judges will be appointed as required.
- 2. There is no Sponsorship of this show.
- 3. Entry £7.50 per dog per class,
- 4. Rosettes and prize cards 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> place. Qualifying certificates and ribbons to all competitors with

qualifying scores. Judges Special awards at Judge's discretion

- 5. Competitors to collect their ring numbers and book in at the class tables.
- 6. 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 be worn in the ring.

- 7. No bitch in season is allowed to compete.
- 8. The mating of bitches within the precincts of the competition is forbidden.
- 9. The committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
- 10. 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 KC

registered

11. 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.

- 12. Should a judge be unable to fulfil their appointment the organizer reserves the right to appoint an alternative judge.
- 13. It is the competitor's responsibility to be available for their class and running order.
- 14. Should circumstances so dictate the organizer, in consultation with the judges, may alter arrangements as necessary. Such changes will be reported to the Royal Kennel Club.
- 15. 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 3

or higher classes or special classes which incorporates jumps or similar exercises.

- 16. All dogs must enter and leave the judging ring on lead
- 17. Entry passes are not required to gain entry to the show.
- 18. No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of any dog at any time within the precincts of the competition.
- 19. No competitor shall impugn the decisions of the Judge or Judges.
- 20. After a dog has commenced competing in a Class no substitution of Handler is permitted in that Class.
- 21. For the duration of the competition and including those in the exercise area, all dogs must be on a lead except when competing or practicing prior to competition.
- 22. Food or toys shall not be carried in the ring or given to a dog whilst under test.

- 23. All Sunday classes will be capped at 40
- 24. A dog cannot be entered in the same class more than once.
- 25. Once a dog has entered the ring to compete, no further practice may be carried out.
- 26. 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 The Royal 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 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).

- 27. 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.
- 28. 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 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.
- 29. Judges' discretion prevails and Judges' decisions are final.
- 30. 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 action under Kennel Club Rules and Regulations.

31. No modifications may be made to the Schedule once published except by permission of the General Committee of the Royal Kennel Club which must be followed by advertisement in the Canine Press if possible.

Animals in Event

32. 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. However, at the discretion of the host organization, 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 time



## **Exercise Modification Request**

Please send this request to modify an exercise for the handler only with your 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:	
(For example more sp	ace for wheelchair use)	



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**Open Rally Competition** 

Saturday 13th September 2025 Sunday 14th September 2025

West Buckland Village Hall + Field Silver Street, West Buckland Wellington TA21 9NA

Closing date:	25th 8(	postmarked	1 <sup>st</sup> class)
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Entry fees: £7.50 per dog per class, dogs NFC are free

Amount enclosed: £.....

On no account will entries be accepted without fees

With Your Dog Entry Preferred / Cheques payable to: Pat Somerset

<b>INSTRUCTIONS</b> This form must be used by one person only (or details as recorded with the Kennel Club must be given on this entry at the Kennel Club in the name of the owner. If the registration or postage of such applications may be required by the Kennel Clu account will entries be accepted without fees. If a dog is in the pregistrations, the first choice name on the Registration Application	r form. If an error is made the do transfer of ownership has not b. Dogs under 12 months of a process of Registration or Tran	og may be disqu been confirmed age on the day onsfer at the time	alified by the Ge d it must be app of the competition e entry is made,	eneral Committee of died for before the on cannot be enter add the letters NA	the Kennel Club. All dogs must be REGISTERED closing date of entries. In case of dispute proof of ed for competition in Level 2 or 3 classes. On no	
REGISTERED NAME OF DOG	BREED	Full Date of Birth	SEX D or B	Dog Height levels 4 –	DATE & CLASS TO BE ENTERED	
KC Reg No (or *ATC No)						
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KC Reg No (or *ATC No)  Class allocations wil	l be shown at www.rallynews.co.	<u>.uk</u> & KC Rally l	News			
DECLARATION  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 authoriz ed/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.  I/We further declare that, I believe to the best of my knowledge that dogs are not liable to disqualification under Kennel Club Regulations.  Date			Postcode Phone No.  E-Mail address  Handler's Name Your address will appear in the catalogue unless you tick here			
NOTE: Dogs entered in breach of Kennel Club Regulations a	re liable to disqualification					



