



# Somerset Rally Obedience Training

Schedule of Open Rally Competition ( held under Kennel Club Rules & Regulations S and licensed by the Kennel Club Ltd )

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



## Sat 21<sup>st</sup> & Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> September 2024

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

All classes on Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> to be capped at 40 entries per level

Class times and allocations will be posted online at www.rallynews.co.uk

## Entry Fees: £7.00 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> 07709861575

Chief Steward: Saturday - Jenny Butters Sunday – Julie Barrett

Entries Close: 7th September 2024 (post marked first class, online entries preferred)

(Qualifications up to and including 7 days before closing, 31st August 2024, 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)

The Show organizer will ensure to the best of its ability that the event is run to Covid Safe guidelines. It is your responsibility to ensure you comply with national and local restrictions including advice given about non-essential travel in and out of locally affected regions ( which must not be ignored) – in the interests of safety of all participants this may give rise to a short notice refusal of entry at the organiser's discretion. The Kennel Club will respect the has tested positive for Covid-19 they must isolate in line with Government advice.

## Judges

## Saturday Level 1 Pt 1 - Rachel Beaney Level 1 Pt 2 - Georgina Davies Level 2 Pt 1 - Monica Collins Level 2 Pt 2 - Berit Aherne Level 3 - Tina Cameron Level 4 - David Cameron Level 5 - Tanya Butler Level 6 - Tanya Butler

#### <u>Sunday</u>

Level 1 - Rosemary Turner Level 2 - Tanya Butler Level 3 - Rachel Bradley Level 4 – Tina Cameron Level 5 – David Cameron Level 6 - Lesley Peters

#### **RESERVE JUDGE:** Other judges to be appointed as necessary.

No prize money is on offer at this show. Rosettes and Prize Cards will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> 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 liability for any damage caused. 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

From the North leave the M5 at junction 26. Take the 4<sup>th</sup> exit on the roundabout signed West Buckland. From the South leave the M5 at junction 26. Take the 2<sup>nd</sup> exit on the roundabout signed West Buckland. Follow this road to the T junction at the top, turn left, follow this road past the war memorial, the Village Hall will be seen on your right, follow direction signs into the grounds.

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

Level 1 - 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</u> - 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 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.
- 2. There is no Sponsorship of this show.
- 3. Entry £7 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 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. The attention of competitors is drawn specifically to the Kennel Club Rally Competition Regulations 9, 17, and 19.
- 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 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).

- 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. 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 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 space for wheelchair use)

details as recorded with the Kennel Club must be given on this entry form. If an error is made the do at the Kennel Club in the name of the owner. If the registration or transfer of ownership has not postage of such applications may be required by the Kennel Club. Dogs under 12 months of a			Closing date: 7th September 2024 (postmarked 1 <sup>st</sup> class) Entry fees: £7 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 E IN INK OR INDELIBLE PENCIL. Use one line only for each dog. The name of the dog and all the og may be disqualified by the General Committee of the Kennel Club. All dogs must be REGISTERED been confirmed it must be applied for before the closing date of entries. In case of dispute proof 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							
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Class allocations will be shown at <u>www.rallynews.co.uk</u> & KC Rally 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. Usual Signature of Owner(s) Date NOTE: Dogs entered in breach of Kennel Club Regulations are liable to disqualification whether or not the owner was aware of the breach.			E-Mail address				