

# Midland Counties German Shepherd Dog Association

ALL COMPETITORS, SPECTATORS AND ANY OTHER PERSONS CONNECTED WITH THE TRIAL ARE RESPECTFULLY ASKED TO OBSERVE ALL THE USUAL CODES OF CONDUCT AS GUESTS ON THE TRIALS LAND.

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VET ON CALL  
Portland House Vets  
Rufford Ave, NG22 9PN.  
01623 860138

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## COVID INCLUSION:

The Society 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 the safety of all participants this may give rise to a short notice refusal of entry at the society's discretion. The Kennel Club will respect the society's exercise of its discretion.

If a competitor, or anyone in their household, has Covid-19 related symptoms or has tested positive for Covid-19 they must isolate in line with Government advice - [www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/self-isolation-and-treatment/when-to-self-isolate-and-what-to-do/)  
The competitor must not attend the event

## DOGS IN VEHICLES ON HOT DAYS

Your dog is vulnerable and at risk during hot weather and the Kennel Club offers the following guidance to help guide you through the do's and don'ts of travelling to and whilst at KC licensed events.

- When travelling to a show please take a moment to consider whether the route to the show is on a busy holiday route, and leave earlier to avoid increased time in traffic jams.
- Ensure your dog is not sitting in full sunlight. There should be plenty of free flowing air around the dog.
- Keep the dog in the shade – take your own shade, for example a large umbrella, and always have plenty of water available to drink, so your dog stays well hydrated.

Remember, if you feel hot your dog is very likely to feel much hotter and dehydrated, and this could lead to dire results. Please look after your dog's welfare.

WARNING: IF YOUR DOG IS FOUND TO BE AT RISK FORCIBLE ENTRY TO YOUR VEHICLE MAY BE NECESSARY WITHOUT LIABILITY FOR ANY DAMAGE CAUSED.

## SCHEDULE OF

## OPEN WORKING TRIAL

Perlethorpe Village Hall, Perlethorpe, Ollerton. NG22 9EQ

Held under Kennel Club Rules and Regulations (I) and licensed by the Kennel Club Limited  
And the regulations of MCGSDA.

**Ending Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023**

**Entry Fees: TD, WD & UD Stakes £24**

### Judges

<b>TD Nosework</b>	<b>Caroline Martin</b>
<b>WD Nosework</b>	<b>David Waite</b>
<b>UD Nosework</b>	<b>Kev Bryant</b>
<b>C&amp;A</b>	<b>Nigel Hines</b>



The Officers and Committee members of the society holding the licence are deemed responsible for organising and conducting the trial 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 Regulation I31. In so doing those appointed as officers and committee members, accept that they are jointly and severally responsible for the organisation of the trial and that this is a binding undertaking.

### **Trials Manager Gary Martin**

2 Farm Lane, West Butterwick, North Lincs. DN17 3LN  
Tel: 07828 595101

Schedules from / entries to:

### **Trials Secretary: Gary Martin**

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07828 595101

***Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope with your entry***

***Please make cheques payable to Midland counties GSDA***

**ENTRIES TO BE RECEIVED By Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2023**

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. Dogs entered at Kennel Club licensed Working Trials must be registered at the Kennel Club in accordance with Kennel Club Regulations for Classification and Registration B.
2. There will be no prize money.
3. Exhibitors / Competitors are reminded that show societies have the right under Kennel Club Regulation to refuse any entry.
4. All dogs resident outside the UK must be issued with a KC Authority to Compete number before entry to the show/event can be made. All overseas entries without an Authority to Compete number will be returned to the exhibitor / competitor.
5. Entries to the trial may not be made on the internet.
6. The order of running shall be determined by a draw and the competitors notified accordingly by post of their reporting time prior to the day of the trial.
7. Dogs under 18 calendar months of age on the entry closing date of the Trial are not eligible for entry.
8. A dog must not compete in the same stake more than once, including Special Stakes.
9. Spayed bitches and castrated dogs may compete at the trial.
10. The mating of bitches within the precincts of the competition is forbidden.
11. One close fitting smooth collar must be worn, providing the only attachment is a form of identification. Dogs must not wear any type of slip or half-slip collar when under test.
12. No dog suffering from any infectious or contagious disease or having been exposed to such disease during the period of 21 days prior to the Trial may compete. Competitors infringing this Regulation will be liable to be fined and / or dealt with under Kennel Club Rule A11.
13. Should circumstances so dictate the Society, in consultation with the judges, may alter arrangements as necessary. Such changes and circumstances surrounding them will be reported to the Kennel Club.
14. Judges at a trial are prohibited from entering a dog which is recorded in their ownership or part ownership. Dogs will be disqualified if proven to have been handled by the scheduled judge's spouse or immediate family, or resident at the same address as the scheduled judge.
15. If entries in the Companion Dog (CD) stake exceed 20, a second judge may be appointed to judge the Group III exercises, and competitors notified accordingly.
16. Not for competition entries are not accepted.
17. **DOGS IN CARS 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.
18. **Welfare of Dogs** – An exhibitor / competitor whose dog is entered at a KC 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 the Kennel Club Rules & Regulations. The use of pinch collars, electronic shock collars or prong collars is not permitted at any

Working Trials event licensed by the Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue and within the precincts of the Trial.

19. In the event that the Trial is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, the Society will refund fees, less reasonably incurred expenses. If the Trial processor has the provisions to do so, competitors will be refunded in the manner in which they entered the Trial but in any event, the Society will refund fees within 3 months of the Trial date to all those who had entered and requested a refund within 1 month of the Trial date.

## **CLASSIFICATION AND DEFINITIONS OF STAKES**

1. When entering for Championship or Open Working Trials, wins at Members Working Trials will not count.
2. Societies may schedule stakes other than those defined below. The eligibility for "special" stakes must be defined by the society and included in the schedule. The word "special" must be included in the title of the stake.
3. No Working Trial Stake shall be limited to less than 30. If a limit is imposed on entries in a Stake, it shall be carried out by ballot after the date of closing of entries.

### **PLEASE USE A SEPARATE ENTRY FORM FOR EACH STAKE**

#### **COMPANION DOG STAKE (CD)**

For dogs which have not qualified or obtained a Certificate of Merit in WD, PD or TD stakes at open or championship working trials.

#### **UTILITY DOG STAKE (UD)**

For dogs which have not been awarded a Certificate of Merit in WD, PD or TD stakes.

#### **WORKING DOG STAKE (WD)**

For dogs which have been awarded a Certificate of Merit in UD stakes but not in PD or TD stakes.

#### **TRACKING DOG STAKE (TD)**

For dogs which have been awarded a Certificate of Merit in WD stakes but excluding those that have qualified TD Ex.