



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE WORKING TRIALS LIAISON
COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 6 JULY 2021 AT 10.30 AM
VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS**

PRESENT:

Mrs P Bann	Essex Working Trials Society
Miss J Carruthers	North East Counties Working Trials Society
Mr D Craven	Yorkshire Working Trials Society
Mr M Drewitt	New Forest Working Trials Society
Mr B Gilbert	ASPADS Working Trials Society
Mr N Hines	Lincolnshire German Shepherd Dog & All Breeds Training Society
Mrs J Howells	Hampshire Working Trials Society
Mr M Lewindon	Surrey Dog Training Society
Mrs D Ling	East Anglian Working Trials Training Society
Ms L Marlow	Southern Alsatian Training Society
Mr G Martin	Midland Counties German Shepherd Dog Association
Mr D Robertson	Association of Bloodhound Breeders
Mr N Sutcliffe	The Bloodhound Club
Mr C Taylor	British Association for German Shepherd Dogs
Mr J West	Wessex Working Trials Club
Mr J Wykes	Leamington Dog Training Club

IN ATTENDANCE:

Miss D Deuchar	Head of Canine Activities
Miss C McHardy	Manager - Education, Training, and Working Dog Activities Team
Miss R Mansfield	Senior Officer - Working Dog Activities Team
Mrs A Mitchell	Senior Committee Secretary - Working Dog Activities Team

IN THE CHAIR: MR B GILBERT

NOTE: any recommendations made by the Working Trials Liaison Council are subject to review by the Activities Committee and The Kennel Club Board, and will not come into effect unless and until Board approval has been confirmed.

ITEM 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

1. Apologies were received from Mrs J Holt. Mrs K Herbert and Mr B Russell were not present.

ITEM 2. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

2. The minutes of the meeting held on 4 February 2021 were approved as an accurate record.

ITEM 3. MATTERS ARISING/RESULTS OF RECOMMENDATIONS

Risk assessment

3. The Council noted that the risk assessment document which had been approved at its previous meeting, subject to minor amendments, was approved by the Activities Committee at its meeting on 18 March 2021, for publication on The Kennel Club's website. The template may be downloaded at:

<https://www.thekennelclub.org.uk/events-and-activities/working-trials/working-trials-secretary-information/>

Lockouts

4. At its previous meeting, the Council had deferred consideration of a proposal for an amendment to I Regulations relating to lockouts, pending further consideration by the PD Stake Panel. The Activities Committee had raised a concern that it was taking an undue length of time to implement the Board's recommendations, and agreed that Mr Ford and Mr Martin, in consultation with the PD Stake Panel, would formulate a suitably-worded proposal for consideration by the Committee at its meeting in June 2021.

5. The Council was advised that the following amendment had subsequently been approved by the Board at its meeting on 30 June 2021:

Regulation I26.f.

TO:

- f. ~~Where a person is working more than one dog in the PD Stake, the judge must not prevent any competitors from watching the Patrol Round.~~ **Lockouts are not permitted for any of the Patrol exercises. There must be a run through of the complete Patrol test in the presence of the competitors before judging of the Patrol exercises commences.**

(Deletion struck through. Insertion in bold)

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6. An announcement of the amendment would be issued by the office in due course.

Amendments to I Regulations

7. The Council noted that the following amendments to I Regulations were approved by the Board at its meeting on 13 April 2021:

Regulation I(B)18.a.

TO:

Patrol Dog - Equipment and Protective Clothing

- a. **The judge must either provide the equipment or check its suitability. Sleeves must have a tapered edge, and a jute cover, and must be suitable for all dogs entered. The cover must not be brand new, nor frayed. There must be a hand grip inside the sleeve. Close weave covers must not be used. There must not be external buckles, or a joint in the sleeve which leaves a gap. The sleeve must not be obscured by clothing or anything else. Puppy sleeves may not be used. ‘Scratch pants’ which protect the helper from dogs’ nails may be worn. The sleeve must be accessible should the dog bite.**

(Insertion in bold)

(Effective 1 January 2022)

Regulation I(B)18.b.

TO:

- b. **For Quartering the ground, Search and Escort, Recall from protected stewards, and Pursuit and Detention of protected stewards, protected stewards must wear a sleeve as described in the Equipment and Protective Clothing regulation on the right arm.**

(Insertion in bold)

(Effective 1 January 2022)

Regulation I(B)18.c.

TO:

- c. **For the Test of courage, protected stewards must wear a sleeve on the right arm as described in the Equipment and Protective Clothing regulation, or a ‘bite jacket’ with a light-coloured jute area on the right arm. Items used in the Test of courage must be designed to be non-injurious to the dogs, with no sharp points or hard objects inside any sacks used.**

(Insertion in bold)

(Effective 1 January 2022)

Regulation I(B)6.

TO:

6. Retrieve a dumb-bell.—The dog should not move forward to retrieve nor deliver to hand on return until ordered by the handler on the judge or ~~stewards’~~ **steward’s** instructions. The retrieve should be executed at a smart pace without mouthing or playing with the dumb-bell **and**

the dog should sit in front of the handler. After delivery the handler will send the dog to heel on the instruction of the Judge or Steward. Extra commands shall be permitted in the Introductory stake.
(Insertion in bold)
(Effective 1 January 2022)

Regulation I(B)7.

TO:

7. Send away and directional control.—The minimum distance that the judge shall set for the send away shall be 18.288m (20 yds) for the Introductory stake and the CD stake and 45.72m (50 yds) for all other stakes. In the Introductory stake the maximum distance that the judge shall set for the send away shall be 45.72m (50 yds). The TD and PD stakes shall also include change of direction or directions of a minimum of 45.72m (50 yds). When the dog has reached the designated point or the judge is satisfied that after a reasonable time the handler cannot improve the position of the dog by any further commands the dog should be stopped in either the stand, sit or down position at the discretion of the handler. At this point in the TD or PD stakes the judge or steward ~~shall~~ **will** instruct the handler to redirect the dog. In all stakes, whilst the judge should take into account the number of commands used during the exercise, importance should be placed upon the handler's ability to direct the dog to the place indicated.
(Deletion struck through. Insertion in bold).
(Effective 1 January 2022)

Regulation I(B)9.

TO:

9. 'Speak on command'.—The judge will control the position of the handler in relation to the dog and may require the handler to work the dog walking at heel. If the dog is not required to walk at heel, the handler may place the dog in the stand, sit or down. The dog will be ordered to 'speak' and cease 'speaking' on ~~command~~ **the instruction** of the judge or steward who may then instruct the handler to make the dog 'speak' again. 'Speaking' should be sustained by the dog whilst required with the minimum of commands and/or signals. Continuous and/or excessive incitements to 'speak' ~~shall~~ **must** be heavily penalised. This test ~~should~~ **must** not be incorporated with any other test.
(Deletions struck through. Insertions in bold).
(Effective 1 January 2022)

Regulation I(B)10.

TO:

10. Agility.—the descriptions below should be followed for agility:

- a. No part of the clear, long jump or scale equipment to be traversed by the dog shall be less than 914.4mm (3ft) wide nor be in any way injurious to the dog. ~~The tests shall be followed in any sequence decided by the judge~~
Clear Jump, Long Jump, Scale, commencing with Clear

~~Jump.~~ **The test must commence with the clear jump and then be followed in any sequence of the long jump and scale.**

- e. The scale should be a vertical wall of wooden planks which must be grooved, or chamfered along their bottom edge, to assist the dog. Slats are not permitted. The top surface of the scale may be slightly padded. The handler and dog ~~should~~ **must** approach the **face of the** scale at a walking pace with the dog at heel.

(Deletion struck through. Insertions in bold).

(Effective 1 January 2022)

Regulation I24.a Management

TO:

Societies must schedule one other tracking stake in addition to the working trial certificate stake. **Societies may schedule a single Championship CD, UD or WD stake, provided there is no Championship TD or PD stake on the same dates.**

(Insertion in bold)

(Effective 1 January 2022)

8. A brief discussion took place regarding the following amendment to Regulation I(B)9 Speak on Command: 'The dog will be ordered to 'speak' and cease 'speaking' on ~~command~~ **the instruction** of the judge or steward who may then instruct the handler to make the dog 'speak' again'. There was some concern that the wording was ambiguous and implied that the dog should act when instructed to do so by the judge or the steward, rather than by the handler. However it was clarified that dogs were 'commanded' to perform actions, rather than 'instructed' to do so, and that it was therefore clear that in the above case, the judge or steward was instructing the handler who in turn would command the dog.
9. The Council concluded that the wording used was clear, and that no further action was required.

ITEM 4. ACTIVITIES HEALTH AND WELFARE SUB-GROUP

10. The Council noted a report from Mr Gilbert on the work of the Activities Health and Welfare Sub-Group (AHWSG) following its meeting on 15 April 2021.

Working trial research

11. The Council noted a preliminary report on research into the scale and the long jump which had been issued by the researchers, following data collection at Nottingham Trent University in August 2020.
12. It was confirmed that data analysis had now been completed and the researchers were currently writing up the scale and long jump work as

two separate scientific papers. Once these had been completed, the contents would be combined into a single, more detailed report of the findings, including recommendations for consideration by The Kennel Club, via the Sub-Group and the Council. It was hoped that the report would be completed in August.

13. Subject to the approval of the authors, the report would be circulated to Council members and then placed on the agenda for the Council's next meeting for discussion, in conjunction with the Activities Health and Welfare Sub-Group, as to any necessary actions which may arise from the report's conclusions.
14. The Council also noted that a short presentation on the research was being made at the Canine Science Forum which was taking place 6-9 July 2021.

Future research

15. The Council noted the Sub-Group's request for suggestions for suitable projects for future research, noting that ideas would need to be debated and presented in the form of a business case setting out clear objectives and benefits which would justify funding and inclusion in future budgets.
16. It was understood that Mr Martin was in the process of formulating a proposal for research into the way in which PD exercises were delivered, but it was confirmed that this was still a work in progress, and that details of the precise objectives for the research had not yet been finalised. However it was clarified that the broad outline of the proposal related to potential research into the forces on a dog's neck and spine during the bite exercise, and in all other aspects of PD, with a view to ascertaining whether these exercises could be managed differently in order to minimise the forces on the dog.
17. The Council was of the view that it would be highly desirable for the proposal to be discussed by the PD Stake Panel prior to it being referred to the AHWSG. Mr Martin confirmed his willingness to attend a meeting of the Panel in order to do so. The next meeting of the PD Stake Panel was due to take place on 23 July 2021, and any Council members who were not on the Panel but who wished to attend would also be welcome.
18. It was agreed that once the Panel had discussed the issue, Mr Martin would prepare a finalised proposal which would be submitted to the AHWSG at its September meeting without further reference to the Council.

ITEM 5. ACTIVITIES JUDGES SUB-GROUP

19. The Council noted a report from Mr Gilbert following the Activities Judges Sub-Group meeting which took place on 22 April 2021.

20. Five candidates for the current vacancies as Accredited Trainers for working trials were still awaiting assessment. The selection process had been delayed due to Covid-19. Consideration had been given to carrying out assessments via remote means, but it was hoped that governmental restrictions would be lifted on 19 July 2021 and that it would soon be possible to arrange a face-to-face meeting at which the candidates may be assessed.
21. In response to a query, it was confirmed that, where a society wished to appoint a first-time judge for a championship working trial, it should submit the questionnaire to the office, and an assessment by either an Accredited Trainer or an existing championship judge would be arranged.

ITEM 6. REPORT FROM THE PD STAKE PANEL

22. The Council noted a report which had been submitted by the Panel. The main points were as follows:
23. A highly successful protected stewards training weekend was run by the Southern Alsatian Training Society at Newchapel, Surrey, over the weekend of 29-30 May 2021 and had proved to be highly successful, with a wide range of attendees.
24. Experienced protected stewards and protected steward trainers were being invited to contribute to the format for future protected stewards training weekends. Mrs Ling was carrying out a number of telephone interviews, and the contributions received from these would be distributed to members of the Panel in due course and used in future training events.
25. It was noted that Mr Theobald was in the process of compiling a list of protected stewards which would include details of their location and how far they would be prepared to travel to attend a trial. It was anticipated that this would be a very useful resource for trial managers.
26. The Panel had discussed the proposal submitted to the Council by Mr Wykes, and had submitted a counter-proposal which was discussed later in the meeting (paragraphs 31-40 refer).

**ITEM 7. REPORT FROM THE PROGRESSION PANEL/
EQUIPMENT PANEL**

27. The Council noted that as there had been very few trials, no issues had been referred to the Progression Panel or the Equipment Panel.
28. In respect of the poll which had sought views on 'Should CD open be mandatory?' and 'Should Introductory Stake remain in its current

format?', there was no progress to report as not all participants in the discipline had access to social media and therefore there was a concern that some individuals had not yet had an opportunity to complete the survey.

29. A suggestion was made that the Progression Panel should consider the issue of second attempts during the agility section, as currently there was considerable inconsistency between different judges, and different societies, as to whether competitors were offered the opportunity for a second attempt at an obstacle. It was accepted that in deciding whether a second attempt should be permitted, weather conditions should be taken into account, but it was also suggested that the issue should be considered in terms of progression.
30. It was agreed that the Progression Panel would review the matter.

ITEM 8. PROPOSALS FROM SOCIETIES/PRIVATE INDIVIDUALS

Proposed amendment to Regulation I(B)1.

31. At its previous meeting, the Council had considered a proposal from Mr Wykes for an amendment to the above regulation, under the terms of which an additional statement would be included within Regulation I(B)1. Method of Handling as follows: 'At no time should the protected right arm be presented to the dog.'
32. The Council had been supportive of the principle of the proposal, and agreed that it should be progressed, however it had deferred further discussion pending consideration by the PD Stake Panel.
33. It considered a revised proposal which had been submitted by Mr Wykes. The proposal was seconded by Mr Taylor.
34. The PD Stake Panel had considered the proposal and, whilst supportive of the principle, wished to submit a revised proposal which would replace the wording 'and without any such movement that causes the dog to be swung or lifted up in a circular motion' with 'and with any such movement that causes the dog to be swung or lifted up in a circular motion to be kept to a minimum consistent with the safety of the dog and helper'. It was noted that whilst the Panel's objective was to ensure the safety of both the dog and the protected steward, not all members of the Panel had supported the revised wording. The Panel's proposal was seconded by Miss Carruthers.
35. A suggestion was made that a decision should be deferred until such time as it had been possible to carry out research via the AHWSG into impact forces on dogs during PD exercises, as discussed earlier in the meeting (paragraphs 16-18 refer), but it was agreed that this would cause unwarranted delay in addressing the immediate issue.

36. A discussion also took place as to whether the imposition of a regulation which stated the way in which the helper should act, may result in helpers being unwilling to offer their services should they be at risk of being subjected to a penalty. However it was clarified that there was no intention to penalise helpers in any way should they not comply fully with the instructions given by judges. It was accepted that helpers often had to make split-second decisions depending on circumstances at the time, and that where the judge was not satisfied that their instructions had been carried out correctly, they may simply re-run the relevant part of the test.
37. The Council noted that two reports, from a veterinary surgeon and a physiotherapist, on the effects of bitework technique on dogs, had been circulated by Mr Lewindon to Council members prior to the meeting. However, it was noted that the reports were based on video analysis rather than research, and had not been independently commissioned, and therefore they were not discussed further.
38. The Council was in agreement with the stated objective of both proposals, which was to provide clarity to the regulations dealing with how the bite exercises should be conducted, in order to keep dogs and protected stewards safe.
39. A vote on Mr Wykes' proposal took place, and by a majority, the following amendment was **recommended** for approval:

Regulation I(B)1. Method of handling

TO:

Although implicit obedience is necessary, dogs and handlers must operate in as free and natural a manner as possible; persistent barking, whining, etc. in any exercise other than location of person or speak on command should be penalised. The handler must not have food or a toy on their person whilst being tested. ~~In any exercise where the dog is required to bite a protected steward (protected consistent with safety), it must be on the right arm. Any indiscriminate biting must be severely penalised.~~

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New Regulation I(B)18. **Health and Safety, Bite Exercises**

TO:

In any exercise where the dog is required to bite a protected steward (protected consistent with safety), it must be on the right arm. Any indiscriminate biting will result in the dog being excluded from the remainder of the test. At no time in any exercise should the sleeve be presented to the dog in an obvious and exaggerated manner, but equally it must not be obscured in such a way as to make it inaccessible to the dog. A protected steward shall, for both their safety and that of the dog, take the energy impact of the bite landing all of the dogs feet as soon as possible, and without any

such movement that causes the dog to be swung or lifted up in a circular motion.

(Insertion in bold)

40. The above amendment having been recommended for approval, there was no necessity for a vote regarding the revised proposal submitted by the PD Stake Panel.

Proposed amendments to Regulations I(B)14, I(B)15, I(B)16, and I(B)17

41. **Note:** due to an error, the proposed amendment to Regulation I(B)17 had been omitted from the addendum to the agenda but as it had been correctly submitted to the office, it was duly considered by the Council.
42. The Council considered proposed amendments to the above exercises which were submitted by Ms Marlow. The proposals were also supported by the PD Stake Panel. The objective of the proposals was to modernise and simplify the language used in the regulations, whilst making no material changes to their content. Amendments to each of the four regulations were considered, and voted on, separately.

Regulation I(B)14 Test of Courage

43. The proposal was seconded by Miss Carruthers.
44. The Council noted Ms Marlow’s view that if the dog was sent to bite, the sleeve should be accessible in order to prevent the dog from becoming frustrated at not being able to reach the protected arm. It was confirmed that the revised wording would not prevent the use of a shield such as a dustbin lid or similar item.
45. A vote took place, and by a majority, the Council **recommended** for approval the following amendment:

Regulation I(B)14. Test of Courage

TO:

This is a test of courage rather than of control, and the method of testing is at the Judge’s discretion. Handlers must be prepared to have the dog tested when off the lead by a protected steward. **The protected arm must be accessible. The dog must be judged on its courage and attitude.**

(Insertion in bold)

Regulation I(B)15. Search and Escort

46. The proposal, which was seconded by Mrs Ling, was for the following amendments to the above regulation:

Proposed change to I(B) 15. Search and Escort

TO:

The ‘protected steward’ will be searched by the handler with the dog off the lead at the sit, stand or down. The judge will assess whether the dog is well placed tactically ~~and ready to defend if called to do so.~~ The

handler will be told to escort the 'protected steward' at least ~~27.432m~~ **30 yards metres** in a given direction, he will give at least one turn on the direction of the judge.

During the escort the 'protected steward' will turn and attempt to overpower the handler. The dog may defend spontaneously or on command and must release the 'protected steward' at once ~~when the handler calls him off~~ **on command**.

(Deletions struck through. Insertions in bold).

47. Ms Marlow was of the view that there should not be a defence of handler during the search, as this was covered within the wording relating to the escort part of the exercise, and so the words 'ready to defend if called to do so' were obsolete. The reference to 'yards' would be deleted for simplicity and changed to metres.
48. A vote took place, and by a majority, the proposed amendment was **not** recommended for approval.

Regulation I(B) 16. Recall from protected stewards

49. The proposal was seconded by Mrs Ling.
50. The proposal was made in order to clarify the description relating to the position of the dog, and to update and simplify the wording of the regulation.
51. A vote took place, and by a majority, the following amendment was **recommended** for approval:

Regulation I(B) 16. Recall from protected stewards

TO:

~~The 'protected steward' protected consistent with safety, will be introduced to the handler whose dog will be free at heel. After an unheated conversation the 'protected steward' will run away. At a reasonable distance the handler will be ordered to send his dog. When the dog is approximately half way between handler and the 'protected steward' he will be ordered to be recalled. The recall may be by whistle or voice. The 'protected steward' should continue running until the dog returns or closes. If the dog continues to run alongside the 'protected steward', the 'protected steward' should run a further ten or dozen paces to indicate this.~~

The dog will be off lead beside the handler. The position of the dog and the command given to send the dog must be the same as that for the Pursuit. The 'protected steward' will be challenged and will reply in order to gain the dog's attention before running away as directed by the judge. The handler will be told when to send his dog. When the dog is approximately half way between the handler and the 'protected steward' the judge will signal to recall the dog. The 'protected steward' should continue running until the dog returns to the handler or bites the sleeve. The recall may be by whistle or voice.

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Regulation I(B) 17. Pursuit and detention of protected stewards

- 52. The proposal was seconded by Miss Carruthers.
- 53. It was noted that the intention of the proposed amendment was to simply the wording, which would mirror that used in the wording for the recall exercise.
- 54. A vote took place and the Council was unanimous in its decision. Accordingly the following amendment was **recommended** for approval:

Regulation I(B) 17. Pursuit and detention of protected stewards.

TO:

~~The 'protected steward' (a different one for choice) and handler should be introduced as above, and the dog sent forward under similar conditions. The 'protected steward' must continue to attempt to escape and, if possible, should do so through an exit or into a vehicle once the dog has had a chance to catch up with him. The dog must be regarded as having succeeded if it clearly prevents the 'protected steward' from continuing to flee by holding him by the protected arm. If the dog fails to make a convincing attempt to detain the 'protected steward', it shall lose any marks that it may have obtained for the recall from 'protected stewards' exercise or alternatively, it shall not be tested on the recall that follows the pursuit and detention of protected stewards exercise.~~

The dog will be off-lead beside the handler. The position of the dog and the command given to send the dog must be the same as that for the Recall. The 'protected steward' will be challenged and will reply in order to gain the dog's attention before running away as directed by the judge. The handler will be told when to send his dog.

A run-out point may be set by the judge.

The dog must detain the protected steward by holding him by the protected arm until commanded by the handler to release.

If the dog fails to detain the 'protected steward', it shall lose any marks that it may have obtained for the Recall, or it shall not be tested on the Recall.

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ITEM 9. DISCUSSION ITEMS

- 55. No discussion items had been received.

ITEM 10. FIVE YEAR STRATEGY

- 56. The Council noted the current Five Year Strategy document.

57. A concern was raised that the document was rather static in nature and that the Council rarely suggested any amendments to it. In response all Council members were invited to make suggestions as to how the Five Year Strategy should be progressed.
58. It was highlighted that there were still some issues in relation to the working trials content on The Kennel Club's website, with particular reference to Find a Club links which were not as yet populated. It was clarified by the office that Find a Club was not yet operational for any disciplines. Work was continuing in relation to services available on the website, but priority would be given to Find a Judge in the first instance, followed by Find a Club and then Find a Show.

ITEM 11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

59. At the Council's previous meeting it was noted that a letter had been received from Mr Sutcliffe, representing the Bloodhound Club, raising concerns in respect of amendments to Kennel Club I Regulations implemented in 2020 and 2021, and that the matter was being addressed by the office and no further discussion was necessary.
60. Mr Sutcliffe wished to clarify that no communication had been received from the office and that the issues concerned were being addressed by the Bloodhound Club and the Association of Bloodhound Breeders.

ITEM 12. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

61. The date of the next meeting would be announced in September 2021.
62. Once announced, the deadline for submissions would be strictly adhered to and no late submissions would be accepted.

The meeting closed at 12.30 pm.

MR B GILBERT
Chairman

THE KENNEL CLUB'S MISSION STATEMENT

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Liaison Societies for Non-Championship Working Trials Societies

Working Trials Society

Australian Shepherd Club of the United Kingdom
 Aveley Obedience & Working Trials Society
 Avon Working Trials Training Society
 Aylesbury Canine Training Society
 Banbury & District Dog Training Society
 Billingshurst Dog Training Club
 Birmingham & District German Shepherd Dog Association
 Central Bernese Mountain Dog Club
 Chipping Norton & District Dog Training Club
 Cynllan Lodge Dog Training Club
 Deveron Dog Training Club
 Donyatt Dog Training Club
 East Riding Working Trials Society
 Grampian Gundog Club
 Haslemere & District Dog Training Club
 High Peak Dog Training Society
 Hucknall & District Canine Training Society
 Lochaber & District Canine Society
 Midlands Border Collie Club
 Mid Wales Working Gundog Society
 National Australian Shepherd Association
 Newlands Working Dog Society
 North of England Weimaraner Society
 Northants & Bedfordshire Working Trials Dog Training
 Northern Alsatian & All Breeds Training Society
 Northern Newfoundland Club
 Portland Dog Training Club
 Rough & Smooth Collie Training Association
 Scottish Kennel Club
 Six Counties Working Trials Society
 Slovakian Rough Haired Pointer Club (Provisional)
 South Devon Agility & Dog Training Club
 South Leeds Working Trials Dog Training Club
 Spanish Water Dog Club (Provisional)
 Spey Valley Dog Training Club
 Sporting Irish Water Spaniel Club
 Stonehouse Dog Training Club
 Wakefield Dog Training Club
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 Weimaraner Club of Scotland
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