



# Somerset Rally Obedience Training



## Schedule of Two, One-Day Open Rally Competitions

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

### VENUE

The Millenium Hall,  
Water Street, Seavington  
Ilminster, Somerset, TA19 0QH

Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> and Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2026

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)

(Class times and allocations will be posted online at [www.rallynews.co.uk](http://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 Royal 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: [tesremosp@gmail.com](mailto:tesremosp@gmail.com)

**Show Manager:** Lindsey Poole, Woodlands Cottage, Isle Abbots, Taunton, TA3 6RT.  
Email - [Lionpooley@gmail.com](mailto:Lionpooley@gmail.com)

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

**Entries Close: 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2026** (post marked first class, online entries preferred)  
(Qualifications up to and including 15<sup>th</sup> June 2026, count towards eligibility for this competition)

**VETERINARY SUPPORT:** Hamstone Vets, Unit 13a Northern Way, Cropmead, Crewkerne, TA18 7HJ. Tel: 01460 297444 (owners are responsible for any costs incurred.)



# Judges

## Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July

Level 1	Rhia Butler
Level 2	Carol Beaney
Level 3	Martin Robinson
Level 4	Sharon Tamblyn
Level 5	Edd Hanson
Level 6	Berit Aherne
Veteran	Trudy Longhurst
Special 1-3	Monica Collins
Special 4-6	Monica Collins

## Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July

Level 1	Trudy Longhurst
Level 2	Rachel Beaney
Level 3	Jo Stocks
Level 4	John Clarke
Level 5	Jane Prince
Level 6	Tanya Butler
Veteran	Mick Hanson
Special 1-3	Mick Hanson
Special 4-6	Ann Nash

**Reserve judges will be appointed as required**

No prize money is on offer at this show. Ribbons and Prize Cards will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> place in each class. Certificates will be issued for qualifying scores in each class. Rings will be outside and all will be netted

## **DOG FRIENDLY ACCOMMODATION IS AVAILABLE AT: -**

Airbnb ranging from £70 per night.

Flying Fish, Ashill, 01823 480467

Five Dials Inn, Horton, 01460 55359

Old Stagecoach Stables, Crewkerne, 01460 72972

The Shrubbery, Ilminster, 01460 52108

*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 and use the bins/bags provided.*

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

## **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. This system operates on a cash-only basis, so please make sure you bring cash with you.

South & Southwest Inter Regional Rally Team will have a fundraising table in the hall.

## 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

**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 7 years or over on the first day of the competition

### Special Classes -

#### a) Levels 1, 2 & 3

Open to all dog and handler teams, in Levels 1, 2 & 3. A challenging course of up to 19 exercises to help with the transition to off lead working. Dogs will start on lead. The Bonus exercise will be included in the course and placed midway through the course. Handlers will take the lead off to perform the bonus exercise. After the bonus exercise has been performed ALL dogs will then complete the course OFF LEAD. Rewards maybe given where specified by the judge, food treats must be carried in a small container. Toys may also be used to reward. All rewards to be carried in the handler's right-hand pocket. There will be a penalty if a sign or distraction is knocked over when playing with a toy.

#### b) Levels 4, 5 & 6

Open to all dog and handler teams, in Levels 4 and above, and has achieved a Level 3 title/excellent title. Class content; a course of up to 20 current Rally exercises. Course design rules are relaxed including but not limited to; any number of signs from any level can be used. The ratio of static vs moving exercises is not restricted. Any combination and number of exercises may be linked e.g. 'sit, stand; 'moving backup'. Exercises can be at slow or fast pace as long as safety is maintained. Bonus exercises can be used in the main course Normal scoring rules apply.

## 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. Ribbons and prize cards 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> place. Qualifying certificates to all competitors with qualifying scores.
5. Competitors 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 RKC registered.
11. In the event that the competition is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, 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 be dictated, the organiser, 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 incorporate 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. 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 royal 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 at 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 Committee. 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 times.



Somerset Rally  
Obedience Training



**Open Rally Competition**  
**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2026**  
Millennium Hall, Water Street,  
Seavington, Ilminster, TA19 0QH

(to be held under Royal Kennel Club Rally rules & regulations S' and licenced by Royal Kennel Club Ltd)

Closing date: 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2026 (postmarked 1<sup>st</sup> class)

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



**INSTRUCTIONS T h i s** form must be used by one person only (or partnership). Writing **MUST BE IN INK OR INDELIBLE PENCIL**. Use one line only for each dog. The name of the dog and all the details as recorded with the Kennel Club must be given on this entry form. If an error is made the dog may be disqualified by the General Committee of the Royal Kennel Club. All dogs must be REGISTERED at the Royal Kennel Club in the name of the owner. If the registration or transfer of ownership has not been confirmed it must be applied for before the closing date of entries. In case of dispute proof of postage of such applications may be required by the Royal Kennel Club. Dogs under 12 months 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.

REGISTERED NAME OF DOG	BREED	Full Date of Birth	SEX D or B	Dog Height levels 4 – 6 In cm	DATES & CLASSES TO BE ENTERED
KC Reg No (or *ATC No)					
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Class allocations will be shown at [www.rallynews.co.uk](http://www.rallynews.co.uk) & KC Rally News

**DECLARATION**

I/We agree to submit to and be bound by the Royal 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 Royal 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 authorised/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 Royal Kennel Club Regulations.

Usual Signature of Owner(s) ..... Date .....

**NOTE: Dogs entered in breach of the Royal Kennel Club Regulations are liable to disqualification whether or not, the owner was aware of the breach.**

In the case of joint registered ownership, the name of every owner must be given here

Name(s) .....

Address .....

.....Postcode .....

Phone No. ....

Email address ..... **Handler's Name**.....

Your address will appear in the catalogue unless you tick here

**ENTRIES AND FEES (WHICH MUST BE PREPAID) TO BE SENT TO: Lindsey Poole Woodlands Cottage, Isle Abbotts, Taunton, TA3 6RT. Telephone: 07899887195**

## Handlers Exercise Modification Request

This form is confidential and for the use of the Show Management, Judge and Chief Steward to aid the competitor's success in completing the course.

All modification requests should be as close as possible to the original exercise and all exercises within a 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 and competition management.

Please send this completed Handlers Exercise Modification Request to the competition secretary, with your entry form. Exercise modification requests can also be submitted with your online entry.

Modifications can only be requested for handlers, not dogs.

Handler: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's KC Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Classes entered: \_\_\_\_\_

<b>ADDITIONAL SPACE REQUEST</b>	
Please extend the space between cones/distractions to 2m	<b>Yes/No</b>
Please provide an extra 0.5m clear space for turns and walk arounds	<b>Yes/No</b>

<b>MOBILITY AID</b>	
I will be using the following mobility aid: _____	
<i>If your wheelchair does not fit through a standard doorframe, please contact the society before entering to ensure that you will be able to gain access to the venue.</i>	

<b>ADDITIONAL TIME</b>	
Please note that I will require extra time to complete the round.	<b>Yes/No</b>
<i>Levels 1 &amp; 2 allow up to 8 minutes. Levels 3, 4, 5, 6, and Veteran, allow up to 10 minutes</i>	

<b>CALLER</b>	
Please note that I require a caller.	<b>Yes/No</b>
I understand that it is my responsibility to provide a caller.	

### **OTHER EXERCISE MODIFICATION REQUESTS**

*(Please note that pace changes require the dog to change pace, not the handler)*

*Note: performance examples of exercise modification can be found on the RKC website*

**Exercise number(s) to be modified.**

**Please describe how you will perform the above exercise's**

All teams requesting exercise modifications will be judged in accordance with the current rules and regulations.