



Northern Mutts N Music with Louth and District Dog Club
SCHEDULE OF OPEN HEELWORK TO MUSIC (HTM) COMPETITION
Heelwork and Freestyle classes in Starters, Novice, Intermediate
and Advanced (Crufts Semi final Qualifier)
And 2 fun classes plus Special YKC Crufts Qualifier
Sat 24th and Sun 25th May 2008

Licence courtesy of The Kennel Club

This Competition will be held under Kennel Club L regulations. (Wins at this show apply through out the UK)

At Teesdale Sports Centre. Strathmore Rd. Barnard Castle. Co Durham.
DL12 8DS

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Vet on call is:- Castle vets, Montalbo Road, Barnard Castle. Co Durham,

Entries close Monday 28th April 2008 (post mark)

The ring size will be a minimum of 20 metres by 15 metres. The floor will have an anti slip surface (carpeted) but will not be very good at absorbing high impacts. The judges will be in the middle of the side next to the point of entry.

Judges to be confirmed

Fees are:- Kennel Club recognised Classes £8.00 per dog per class Fun classes £5.00 per dog per class.
 Rosettes to 6th place in all classes Trophies for first place

The time of opening of the competition is 8:30am, judging to start at 9:30am.

Entries can be made using the entry forms included. Extra schedules and entry forms can be obtained by e-mail from Carol Mortimer at carol.mortimer@btopenworld.com or Sue Leyland at sueleyland@tiscali.co.uk

Entries will be limited to 80 on any one day. There will be a ballot if these entries are exceeded Refreshments available

Saturday 24th May Kennel Club recognised classes under KC rules (no toys or titbits):-

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| 1. Starters Heelwork | 3. Novice Heelwork |
| 2. Starters Freestyle | 4. Novice Freestyle |
| 5. YKC Crufts Qualifiers (see enclosed rules) | |

Non KC recognised but included by kind permission of the KC. Toys and titbits allowed. Time limited to 5 mins. (Dogs must be KC registered)

6. **Multi Class** For teams of more than one handler and one dog. E.g. Pairs, Groups and Braces.
7. **Anything goes** for those dogs working in Starters and Novice. (one handler and one dog)
8. **Anything goes** for those dogs working in Intermediate and Advanced. (one handler and one dog)

Sunday 25th May Kennel Club recognised classes under KC rules (no toys or titbits):-

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| 11. Starters Heelwork | 15. Intermediate Heelwork |
| 12. Starters Freestyle | 16. Intermediate Freestyle |
| 13. Novice Heelwork | 17. Advanced Heelwork (Crufts Semi final qualifiers) |
| 14. Novice Freestyle | 18. Advanced Freestyle (Crufts Semi final qualifiers) |

Camping John Watson Jersey Farm Country Hotel, Darlington Road, Barnard Castle, Co Durham, DL12 8TD.

Tel 01833 638223 www.jerseyfarm.co.uk reception@jerseyfarm.co.uk **5 minutes drive from venue**

B&B Dennis, Three Tunns Inn, Church bank, Eggleston, Nr Barnard Castle, DL12 0AH

Tel 01833 650289 www.three-tunns-inn.co.uk threetunns.eggleston@tesco.net (Dogs can stay in your room)

Please note A dog docked on or after 6th April, 2007 may not be entered for exhibition at this Show

Rules for the show (Keep this sheet for future reference)

The rules printed here are only to guide you, you need to look at the full set of regulations (L) covering Heelwork to Music shows and the general regulations (G) that apply to any Kennel Club show. These can be found in the red Kennel Club Year Book or the smaller booklet that applies to Heelwork to Music shows only. These and the points record booklet can be obtained from The Kennel Club, 1-5 Clarges Street, Piccadilly, London, W1J 8AB. Tel 08706066750

Those in purple are new rules as of 1st Jan 2008

Wherever possible as many of the judges on the panel should have competed at and thus have practical experience of the level they are judging. (With the exception of advanced classes where the judges should fulfil the criteria detailed in the regulations). An experienced lead (head) judge should be appointed for each class.

The dog should work in a willing and natural manner. Excessive barking must be penalised and a maximum of 4 marks can be deducted from the overall score at the judge's discretion.

A dog must only be entered in a class for which it is eligible in each category.

The General Committee has confirmed that any points obtained in the Heelwork to Music semi finals or finals at Crufts should be allowed to be used towards the Heelwork to Music excellent award. It also confirmed that the winner at Crufts would not automatically qualify for the following year's semi final or Crufts.

The classes will be run in the order of the numbers of the class. Breaks will be announced on the day.

Booking in and handing in of music must be done by 9:00am for the Starter and Novice classes and 11am for the rest of the classes

It is recommended that you bring a back up copy of your music. Any special instructions for the DJ need to be written down with the music

No dogs on the front row of the audience. Please refrain from eating on the front row.

Food shall not be carried in the ring, even in rehearsal, or given to a dog whilst being judged except in classes 6 and 7

In counting the number of points won, all points up to and including the seventh day before the closing date of entries shall be counted when entering any class. (Monday 21st May 2008)

Only dogs of twelve calendar months of age and over on the day of the Competition are eligible for entry

If a dog is of a savage disposition it shall be ineligible for entry at any HTM competition.

Persons disqualified or suspended under KC rules are not eligible for entry.

No activity shall be conducted which permits, encourages or develops aggression in a dog.

Dogs entered in HTM competitions must be registered with the Kennel Club.

The person in charge of a dog at the show must ensure that the dog is kept under proper control whilst at the licensed venue including its car and caravan parks and approaches.

No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of any dog at any time within the precincts of the show.

No competitor shall impugn the decisions of the judges

Should a judge be unable to fulfil their appointment the organiser reserves the right to appoint an alternative judge.

After a dog has commenced competing in a Class no substitution of Handler is permitted in that class.

All dogs must be on a lead except when competing or practicing prior to the competition.

Not for competition entries will be accepted free of charge for dogs aged four calendar months and over. Details of each dog must be recorded on an entry form and must be Kennel Club registered

Should circumstances so dictate the organiser, in consultation with the judges, may alter arrangements as necessary. Such changes to be reported to the Kennel Club.

The committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.

It is entirely the competitor's responsibility to be available for their class and running order. It is advisable that you inform the ring steward that you are ready to compete several routines ahead of your own as you may not be aware of absentees.

In the event of circumstances making it necessary that the event is cancelled, The organisers reserve the right to defray expenses from the entry fees received.

No bitches in season will be allowed to compete or enter the precincts of the show.

The mating of bitches within the precincts of the show is forbidden.

No amendment may be made to an entry after the closing date of entries.

All dogs will be entered at their owners risk and while every care will be taken the organisers will not accept responsibility for loss, damage or injury however caused to dogs, person or property while at the event.

Music must be on tape or CD and clearly marked with name and title of music (and track number) If the music is on tape the tape should be at the start of the music for the routine. The routine starts when the music begins and ends when the music finishes.

Times The duration of the routine should be a maximum length as detailed below. An over-run of 5% is permitted, but **2 marks will be deducted from the final score for any time taken in excess of this.**

Starters maximum time limit - up to 2 minutes 30 seconds

Novice maximum time limit - up to 3 minutes 30 seconds

Intermediate maximum time limit - up to 4 minutes

Advanced maximum time limit - up to 4 minutes

A dog **can not** be entered in the same class more than once.

Definition of Heelwork to Music A dog working off lead in the heel work position, on the left or right hand side of the handler, facing forward or backward, across the front or back of the handler, moving in any direction, at any pace. The dog's shoulder should be approximately level with, and reasonably close to the handler's leg. All other positions are defined as Freestyle. A minimum of two thirds of the routine should consist of heel work.

Definition of Freestyle A Freestyle routine will be the dog working off lead and contain movements in any position. Heel work as described above is acceptable although such movements must not exceed one third of the routine.

The rest of the rules are as stated in the KC rules as from 1st January 2008.

Dogs in Cars

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 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.
- If your vehicle is not air-conditioned seriously consider whether travelling to the show is a good idea at all.
- The vehicle should be as fully ventilated as possible, and plenty of stops should be taken, with lots of water available to drink.
- Ensure your dog is not sitting in full sunlight. There should be plenty of free flowing air around the dog.
- When at the show, never leave your dog in the vehicle.
- 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.
- Avoid your dog taking part in unnecessary exertion, or from standing in exposed sunlight for extended lengths of time.

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.

Anyone 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 put a dog's health and welfare at risk by any action, default, omission or otherwise. Breach of Kennel Club Regulations in this respect may be referred to the General Committee for disciplinary action under Kennel Club Rules and Regulations.

No smoking. It is against the law to smoke in these premises.

