

RallyOnline Group

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SCHEDULE OF Independent RALLY EVENT

(held under ROL Rules & Regulations)

COMPETITION VENUE – ONLINE

Entries Open 25 April to 9 May 2024

Competition Date (Judging) Saturday 11 May 2024

SHOW OPENS at 21.00 BST THURSDAY 25 April 24.

Walk through at competitor's discretion thereafter.

Chief Steward &/or Judge(s) will be available to answer questions
online – Friday 26 April 1800 – 2000 BST (RallyOnline Facebook Group & email)

Commemorative Certificates to all earning qualifying scores,

ORGANISER and Chief Steward:-

Mrs S G Sanford, The Old Manse, Sandwick, Shetland. ZE29HW

SHOW SECRETARY:

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ENTRIES CLOSE:

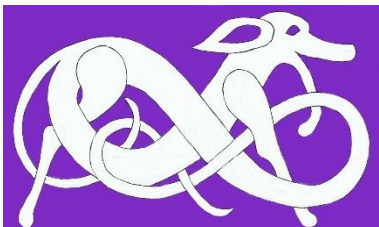
21.00 BST (9pm) 9 May 2024

ENTRIES TO BE MADE TO:

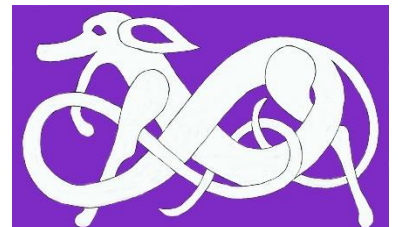
admin@rallyonline.org
Email entry with video link via YouTube

VETERINARY SUPPORT:

Please ensure you have your own vets
contact details available at all times.



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Competitors are advised that all qualifications gained up to and including 24 April 24 count towards eligibility for this competition

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. Judges – Kathleen Daly, Rosemary Turner, Alyson Hunter, Sabine Kanzaria, Kim Faulder, John Clarke, Heidi Vague, Debra Colling, Sue Christie, Stu Lindsey, Margaret Booth, Sarah Roper, Ann Lee & Sally Sanford, Reserve Judge David Cameron. Additional Judges will be appointed as required
2. The event has no sponsorship.
3. The entry fee for this event is £4 per class.
4. There is no prize money on offer at this event. Commemorative certificates for all achieving qualifying scores. All scribesheets & certificates will be emailed to handlers after results published on website.
5. Courses will be posted & entries will open at 21.00 BST Thursday 25 April closing at 21.00 BST Thursday 9 May 2024. Judging will be completed by 23.59 BST Sunday 12 May 2024 Or as soon as possible thereafter.
6. The committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
7. In the event that the competition is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, the group will refund fees, less reasonably incurred expenses.
8. Should a judge be unable to fulfil their appointment the organiser reserves the right to appoint an alternative judge.
9. Should circumstances so dictate the organiser, in consultation with the judges, may alter arrangements as necessary. Such changes will be reported on the group website.
10. Only dogs of six calendar months of age and over on the 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 day of the competition are eligible to take part in Level 3 or higher classes or special classes which incorporate jumps or similar exercises.
11. Ring numbers (Pre Competition Registration) must have been obtained from The Rally Online Group before video submission.
12. No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of any dog at any time within the precincts of the competition.
13. No competitor shall impugn the decisions of the Judge or Judges.
14. After a dog has commenced competing in a Class no substitution of Handler is permitted in that Class.
15. Food or toys shall not be carried in the ring or given to a dog in the video, exception Special & Reward Classes where outlined for each individual class.
16. The attention of competitors is drawn specifically to the Competition Regulations
17. A team cannot be entered in the same class more than once.
18. 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 RallyOnline Group Rules and Regulations. In the event of any dispute, evidence of such authority and consent will be required.
19. Judges' discretion prevails and Judges' decisions are final.
20. Welfare of Dogs –An exhibitor (or competitor) whose dog is entered at an 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.

Specific Rules for Online Rally Competitions

21. **It is the competitor's responsibility to submit a video which can be fairly judged.**

22. After handlers complete the entry form & pay the entry fee, a member of ROL admin team will confirm that the video quality is adequate, and confirm entry into the competition. If the video fails this verification, the Chief Steward will refuse the entry, notifying the handler via email.
23. Any video or digital editing of the round is strictly forbidden.
24. Filming the round from significantly away from designated point will result in the entry being refused.
25. Videos should be filmed in Landscape format not portrait orientation.
26. Repeated attempts to flout these rules will be considered to be bringing video Rally into disrepute & will result in banning from future ROL competitions. ²⁶
27. Judges will undertake to watch each round once, as close as possible to live events. .
28. Judges are eligible to enter classes other than that which they are judging.
29. Rounds will not be timed. Places 1st – 6th will be determined by points, if tied on points – tiebreak additional bonus exercise will be marked by Judge or Chief Steward. Handlers have the option to send separate video of the tiebreak bonus for their class, or forfeit a tiebreak. **THIS APPLIES ONLY TO PLACINGS.**
30. Each Bonus Tiebreak video may only be used once.
31. **ID process. ALL VIDEO ENTRIES MUST Start and END with the dog on lead – failure = NQ.**
Note that it is handlers responsibility to ensure that Ring Number shown, hands empty, & suitable equipment (collar & lead) are shown at some point during the video.

SPECIAL CLASSES -

- **Special "Here Comes Summer" Reward Class**
 - The course will consist of Rally exercises, Reward Locations, and items that the handler might need in the British Summertime.. Rewarding your dog must be undertaken at times indicated on course plan as chosen by the Judge. Rewards must not be visible to your dog while actually undertaking the rally exercises.
 - Rally exercises marked to normal rules & standards. NO toys, treats outside reward locations, and absolutely NO harsh handling (including rough play). This is designed to be FUN and REWARDING class – for the dogs, handlers, judges, and admin team!
 - Handlers will be able to collect extra items and extra points during the round! Full details on the course plan.
 - Open to all teams working any level – but results will be split into those eligible for video levels 1-3 and those eligible for video levels 4-6. Exercises will be from levels 1 – 4. Teams should work on/off lead as at their normal video level eligibility.
 - Places will be determined by points, if tied on points – Judge will grade reward use to determine rankings. No tiebreak videos. ID process & ring numbers must be shown.
- **Special Fun Maypole themed Class**
 - Teams work OFF lead (no requirement for leads to be visible in your video entry). Open to All.
 - Course will be designed to fit into a normal sized ring 13 x 13m.
 - Full details will be provided as part of the course plan when entries open...!
 - Rally exercises may be taken from levels 1 – 4. Bonus will be B15 around an actual pole – e.g. Lamppost, telegraph pole, maypole, another person or mannequin....may be filmed separately to the actual round. Bonus may be submitted with round or separately.
 - No requirement for equipment ID process – but please do show ring numbers at some point.

- **Special Puppy /Newcomers Class**

- Open to puppies 4- 15mths of age (at judging date) and/or any team who haven't gained a ROL video level title (any level). Dogs must also not have earned any live show Rally level titles.
- There will be a large reward zone and teams will need to show they are breaking off to reward their dogs at least 3 times..... rewards may be food & /or toys – the only stipulation is no food/toys visible or in the handlers hands while working the rally exercises.
Food &/or Touch rewards are permitted after completion of ANY exercise ending in a static position – in situ.
- On or Off Lead, No ID process, ring number must be shown in the video.
- Additional 5 points for working off lead.
- Full details will be published on the course plan.
- Places will be determined by points, if tied on points – Judge will grade reward use to determine rankings. No tiebreak videos.

VIDEO LEVELS, TITLES & CLASS ELIGIBILITY

1. Video Rally Levels

Rally handler/dog teams compete in their lowest eligible class from Level 1 to Level 6plus. 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 three Excellent scores, under three different judges, or six qualifying scores under four different judges. Levels 1 – 4 have a qualifying score of 175 out of 200. Levels 5 & 6 have a qualifying score of 180 out of 200.

In all levels a qualifying score of 190 or above equates to an excellent score.

2. Eligibility

A dog can be entered in special class(es) only. A dog must not compete in the same class more than once, including special classes. Special classes do not count for progression.

Video Rally Level 1 –

Open to dogs which have not achieved a vRLevel 1 or vRLevel 1 Excellent Title.

Video Rally Level 2 –

Open to all dogs which have achieved a vRLevel 1 or vRLevel 1 Excellent Title, except those that have achieved a vRLevel 2 or vRLevel 2 Excellent Title. Dogs eligible for and entered at vRLevel 1 may also enter at this vRLevel.

Video Rally Level 3 –

Open to all dogs which have achieved a vRLevel 2 or vRLevel 2 Excellent Title, except those that have achieved a vRLevel 3 or vRLevel 3 Excellent Title. Dogs eligible for and entered vRLevel 2 may also enter at this vRLevel.

Video Rally Level 4 –

Open to all dogs which have achieved vR Level 3 or vR Level 3 Excellent Title, except those that have achieved avR Level 4 or vRLevel 4 Excellent Title. Dogs eligible for and entered at vRLevel 3 may also enter at this Level.

Video Rally Level 5 –

Open to all dogs which have achieved avR Level 4 or vRLevel 4 Excellent Title, except those that have achieved avR Level 5 or vRLevel 5 Excellent Title. Dogs eligible for and entered at vRLevel 4 may also enter at this Level.

Video Rally Level 6 –

Open to all dogs which have achieved a vRLevel 5 or vRLevel 5 Excellent Title. Dogs eligible for and entered at vRLevel 5 may also enter at this Level.

Video Rally Level 6 plus –

Open to all dogs who have achieved a vRLevel 5 title or vRLevel 5 Excellent Title.

Exercises will consist of KC Rally exercises. The course design rules stipulating (a) even spacing and 2m between stations and (b) all ratios of exercises & statics will be relaxed. The criteria for following signs “Slow Pace” (no 15) and “Fast Pace” (no 16) by normal pace also relaxed. Linked signs do not have to include static elements. Maximum number of signs is increased to 25. Signs may be reused within the course. Limit of jump exercises relaxed.

Veteran Dog Class

Veteran Dog classes are open to dogs who have celebrated their 7th birthdays prior to judging date (11.5.24)

Exercises and bonus exercise may be taken from any level 1-6. Courses will consist of 10 - 15 exercises incorporating 2 – 8 static positions.

The round must not contain more than two down positions.

No exercise set of linked exercises should require more than three changes of position. (For linked exercises, the judge may assume that all competitors will choose to perform the linked static position only once).

There should be no more than two cone/distraction exercises in total.

There should be no more than one backup/heelwork exercise – including the bonus.

There should be no more than one jump exercise. IF a jump exercise is used the jump height is to be reduced by 10cm for every dog Dogs jumping the lowest height will have the pole laid on the ground.

All teams compete off lead. Marking will be to normal standards.

3. Video Rally Excellent Titles

(Only the highest vRLevel ex title achieved should be used after the dog’s name. The title is designated as ‘vRLex1’, ‘vRLex2’, ‘vRLex3’, ‘vRLex4’, ‘vRLex5’, ‘vRLex6’, or ‘vRL6+ex’ and appears after the dog’s name).

vR Level 1 Ex Title Requires three qualifying scores of 190 or better, each earned under a different judge at Level 1.

vR Level 2 Ex Title Requires three qualifying scores of 190 or better, each earned under a different judge at Level 2.

vR Level 3 Ex Title Requires three qualifying scores of 190 or better, each earned under a different judge at Level 3.

vR Level 4 Ex Title Requires three qualifying scores of 190 or better, each earned under a different judge at Level 4.

vR Level 5 Ex Title Requires three qualifying scores of 190 or better, each earned under a different judge at Level 5.

vR Level 6 Ex Title Requires three qualifying scores of 190 or better, each earned under a different judge at Level 6.

vR Level 6plus Ex Title Requires three qualifying scores of 190 or better, each earned under a different judge at Level 6plus.

Veteran Dog Video Rally Titles “vRLV” and “vRLVex”

A video veteran Dog Title can be earned by (a) six qualifying scores of 175 – 189 or better under at least 4 different judges, or (b) three qualifying excellent scores of 190 or above under three different judges in video Rally veteran dog classes.

CLASSIFICATION

Classes will be split if entries exceed 34.

COMPETITION (judging) DATE 11 May 2024

Courses will be uploaded & entries will open at 21.00 BST Thursday 25 April 2024, closing at 21.00 BST Thursday 9 May 2024.

The Chief Steward & Judge(s) will be available to answer questions online – Friday 26 April 2024 1800 – 2000 BST. (RallyOnline Facebook Group & email)

CLASS JUDGES

1. vR Level 1 – Kathleen Daly, Rosemary Turner, Alyson Hunter, Sabine Kanzaria, Sally Sanford
2. vR Level 2 - Kim Faulder, John Clarke, Heidi Vague
3. vR Level 3 – Debra Colling, Sue Christie
4. vRLevel 4 – Stu Lindsey
5. vRLevel 5 – Margaret Booth
6. vRLevel 6 – Sarah Roper
7. vR Level 6+ - Sally Sanford
8. Special Veteran Dog - Ann Lee
9. Special “Here Comes Summer” Reward Class – Sally Sanford
10. Special Fun Maypole Class – Sally Sanford
11. Special Puppy/Newcomers Class – Sally Sanford

Reserve Judge – David Cameron. Additional Judges will be appointed as required

ENTRY FORM & EXERCISE MODIFICATION REQUEST FORM
are available on the website.

All Courses will be available on the website for downloading

21.00 BST Thursday 25 April 2024

closing at 21.00 BST Thursday 9 May 2024.

