

# Down District Dog Training Club



## ***Schedule of Open Agility Show***

(held under Kennel Club Rules & Regulations H & H(1) and licensed by the Kennel Club Limited)

## ***Fundraiser for the European Open 2023 Irish Agility Team***

***at Playing Fields, Old Road, Dundrum, Co Down BT33 0NH***

***Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2023***

**Show Opens 7.15am - Judges Briefing 7.45am - Judging Commences 8.00am  
The show will close half an hour after all judging has been completed**

The Officers and Committee members of the society / or the licensee holding the licence are deemed responsible for organising and conducting the show 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 H31. In so doing those appointed as officers and committee members, or the licensee, accept that they are jointly and severally responsible for the organisation of the show and that this is a binding undertaking.

Show Secretary: Maria Haage, [downdistrictdtc@gmail.com](mailto:downdistrictdtc@gmail.com) Tel: 07760760301

Show Manager Saturday: Sue Christie

Show Manager Sunday: Cherene Stitt

**Online entries close: 13<sup>th</sup> May 2023**

**Enter online at [www.agilityshows.online](http://www.agilityshows.online)**

**Postal entries close: 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (UK Postmark) send entries to:**

Show Secretary: Maria Haage, 47 Old Park Road, Drumaness, Co Down, BT24 8LY

**ROI postal entries to arrive no later than 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023. PLEASE USE THE CORRECT POSTAGE.**

**Entry fees: £3.50 per class.** Please make cheques payable to Down District D.T.C.



**Honorary Veterinary Surgeons:**

**Castle Veterinary Group, Castlewellan, tel: (028) 4377 8302.**

**Equipment: Aluminium rubber coated contact equipment will be used.**

**Catering facilities will be available at the show.**

**There will be no camping at the show with the exception for Officials and Stewards.**

**If a competitor, or anyone in their household, has Covid-19 related symptoms or has tested positive for Covid-19 they must follow Government advice and should consider whether it is appropriate that they attend the event.**

# Schedule of Classes

**Awards won after 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023 cannot be counted in determining the grade at which a dog may compete at this show**

## **Open Show Schedule of Classes and Running Order for**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

### **RING 1 Judge: Samantha Hefer**

	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Large</b>	<b>Intermediate</b>	<b>Medium</b>	<b>Small</b>	<b>Judge</b>
<b>Agility</b>	3-7	Class 1	Class 2	Class 3	Class 4	Samantha Hefer
	1-2	Class 5	Class 6	Class 7	Class 8	Samantha Hefer
	6-7	Class 9	Class 10	Class 11	Class 12	Samantha Hefer
	1-5	Class 13	Class 14	Class 15	Class 16	Samantha Hefer

### **RING 2 Judge: Aoife Ryan**

	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Large</b>	<b>Intermediate</b>	<b>Medium</b>	<b>Small</b>	<b>Judge</b>
<b>Jumping</b>	1-3	Class 20	Class 19	Class 18	Class 17	Aoife Ryan
	6-7	Class 24	Class 23	Class 22	Class 21	Aoife Ryan
	1-5	Class 28	Class 27	Class 26	Class 25	Aoife Ryan
	4-7	Class 32	Class 31	Class 30	Class 29	Aoife Ryan

# Open Show Schedule of Classes and Running Order for

**Sunday 11th June 2023**

## **RING 1 Judge: Robyn Coulter**

	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Large</b>	<b>Intermediate</b>	<b>Medium</b>	<b>Small</b>	<b>Judge</b>
<b>Agility</b>	5-7	Class 33	Class 34	Class 35	Class 36	Robyn Coulter
	1-4	Class 37	Class 38	Class 39	Class 40	Robyn Coulter
	1-2	Class 41	Class 42	Class 43	Class 44	Robyn Coulter
	3-7	Class 45	Class 46	Class 47	Class 48	Robyn Coulter

## **RING 2 Judge: Olivia Sands**

	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Large</b>	<b>Intermediate</b>	<b>Medium</b>	<b>Small</b>	<b>Judge</b>
<b>Jumping</b>	1-5	Class 52	Class 51	Class 50	Class 49	Olivia Sands
	6-7	Class 56	Class 55	Class 54	Class 53	Olivia Sands
	1-3	Class 60	Class 59	Class 58	Class 57	Olivia Sands
	4-7	Class 64	Class 63	Class 62	Class 61	Olivia Sands

All Classes: Rosettes to 4<sup>th</sup> place in classes of 20 or more  
Rosettes to 3<sup>rd</sup> place in classes of less than 20

All ring cards are to be downloaded from [www.agilityshows.online](http://www.agilityshows.online)

*The proceeds from both show days, after deduction of expenses, will be donated the European Open 2023 Irish Agility Team.*

## **ELIGIBILITY FOR CLASSES**

In the following definitions of classes, 1st prizes or other prize wins are those gained in standard classes at any Kennel Club licensed championship agility, premier agility, open agility or limited agility shows (ie special classes and invitational events excepted). Only a first place with a clear round competed within the course time set by the judge will count towards grade progression.

Standard classes may be scheduled for agility shows, as agility classes or jumping classes. All standard classes must contain the weaving poles obstacle. Standard Agility classes must contain the following elements: 'A' Ramp, dog walk and see-saw. With this proviso classes are defined as follows:-

A maximum of four standard classes may be scheduled for any dog on an individual day of competition. Any number of special classes may be scheduled.

## **Class Structure**

A class may be either held as a graded class or a combined class. A graded class may be scheduled for a maximum of three consecutive grades with separate results and awards for each grade. A combined class may be scheduled for more than one consecutive grade with one overall set of results.

## **Progression**

Progression from each grade will be determined by the eligibility for the class as referenced in H(1)(A)11. Results from Combined Classes will only count towards progression from the dog's current grade.

To count for progression wins must be gained in standard classes at Kennel Club Licensed Agility Shows.

Only a first place with a clear round completed within the course time set by the judge will count towards grade progression.

Competitors will be allowed to walk the course set at Small, Medium, Intermediate or Large height without their dog(s) before the class begins. The jumps will be set at the height of the next class to run. All handlers will walk the course at the same height.

## **Points Progression**

At the handler's discretion a dog may progress up to Grade 4 by winning 100 points at each Grade, using the Agility Warrant points scheme, (Regulation K3.c refers). A minimum of 50 points must be gained in agility (not jumping) classes in the relevant grade. If this method of progression is selected, the handler must ensure the Show Secretary signs the dog's Agility Record Book at the first show entered at the higher grade. There is no time limit on this progression; however, once a dog has progressed it cannot return to a previous grade.

Progression on points must be done prior to the closing date of entries. It is not possible to change a grade on points once the entries have closed.

## **STANDARD CLASSES**

Only first prizes and points gained in standard classes at Kennel Club licensed Agility Shows may be used for progression through the classes. (A dog is only eligible for one grade). In defining the eligibility of the owner or handler for Grade 1, the two wins and points progression referred to in the definition apply only to one dog and not an accumulation of dogs.

<b>Grade 1</b>	Open to owners, handlers or dogs which have not gained a minimum of two first places at Grade 1 at Kennel Club Licensed Agility Shows, at least one of which must have been gained in an agility (not jumping) class. N.B Owners, handlers or dogs previously qualified out of Grade 1 are not eligible for this class.
<b>Grade 2</b>	Open to dogs which are not eligible for Grade 1 or have elected to progress on points from Grade 1 and are not eligible for Grades 3, 4, 5, 6, or 7.
<b>Grade 3</b>	Open to dogs which have gained a minimum of two first places at Grade 2 at Kennel Club Licensed Agility Shows, one of which must have been gained in an agility (not jumping) class, or have elected to progress on points from Grade 2 and are not eligible for Grades 2, 4, 5, 6 or 7.
<b>Grade 4</b>	Open to dogs which have gained a minimum of three first places at Grade 3 at Kennel Club Licensed Agility Shows, two of which must have been gained in agility (not jumping classes), or have elected to progress on points from Grade 3 and are not eligible for Grades 2, 3, 5, 6 or 7
<b>Grade 5</b>	Open to dogs which have gained a minimum of four first places at Grade 4 at Kennel Club Licensed Agility Shows, two of which must have been gained in agility (not jumping) classes, and are not eligible for Grades 2, 3, 4, 6 or 7
<b>Grade 6</b>	Open to dogs which have gained a minimum of four first places at Grade 5 at Kennel Club Licensed Agility Shows, two of which must have been gained in agility (not jumping) classes, and are not eligible for Grades 2, 3, 4, 5 or 7.
<b>Grade 7</b>	Open to dogs which have gained a minimum of five first places at Grade 6 at Kennel Club Licensed Agility Shows, three of which must have been gained in agility (not jumping) classes, and are not eligible for Grades 2, 3, 4, 5 or 6.

## **SPECIAL CLASSES**

Societies may schedule classes other than those defined above as "Special classes". The eligibility for "Special" classes must be defined by the Society and included in the schedule. The word "Special" must be included in the title of the class. Where special classes are classified for older and/or inexperienced dogs, the height of the hurdles, the A-ramp, and the dog walk, and the length of the long jump, may be reduced below the dimensions specified in these regulations, in which case such dimensions must be included in the class definition in the show schedule.

Marking for special classes may deviate from marking for standard classes, but must be specified in the schedule. Wins, places and clear rounds in special classes will not count towards agility warrant points or grade progression at Kennel Club shows.

## **RULES & REGULATIONS**

1. Dogs entered at Kennel Club licensed agility shows must be registered at the Kennel Club in accordance with Kennel Club Regulations for Classification and Registration B, or else registration or transfer of registration must have been applied for. The registration number/ authority to compete (ATC) number will be required for each entry.
2. All dogs registered and resident outside the UK must be issued with a Kennel Club Authority to Compete (ATC) number before entry to the show/event can be made. All overseas entries without a Kennel Club Registration number or an Authority to Compete number will be returned to the exhibitor/competitor.
3. The entry fee is £3.50 per class. There is no fee for NFC dogs.
4. Internet entries will be accepted by [www.agilityshows.online](http://www.agilityshows.online)
5. The Committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
6. Only dogs of 18 calendar months of age and over on the day of competition are eligible for competition at Kennel Club licensed Agility shows.
7. A dog must not compete more than once in a class, including special classes.
8. Not for competition entries will be accepted for dogs aged four calendar months and over. Dogs must be Kennel Club registered with their details recorded on the entry form.
9. No bitch in season is allowed to compete (apart from a dog competing in quarter finals, semi-finals and finals of Kennel Club Prestige Events, other than events held under YKC rules.)
10. The mating of bitches within the precincts of the competitions is forbidden.
11. No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of a dog at any time within the boundaries of the Show.
12. Dogs must not wear any type of slip, half-slip collar or lead when under test. A single flat, close fitting, leather or webbing collar is permitted, providing the only attachment is a plain identification panel as an integral part of the collar ie not attached by a ring.
13. Should a judge be unable to fulfil the appointment to judge, the Committee reserves the right to appoint another judge.
14. No competitor shall impugn the decision of the judges or judge.
15. Kennel Club standard marking regulations apply for all standard classes.
16. The height of hurdles, dog walk and A-Frame, and/or length of long jump will be set as specified by the Kennel Club for standard classes.
17. The height limit for dogs is:
  - a. Large Dog classes – For dogs measuring over 500mm at the withers
  - b. Intermediate Dog classes – For dogs measuring over 430mm and measuring 500mm or under at the withers
  - c. Medium Dog Classes – For dogs measuring over 350mm and measuring 430mm or under at the withers
  - d. Small Dog Classes – For dogs measuring 350mm or under at the withers.
18. Judges at an Agility show may not enter for competition a dog which is recorded in their ownership, or part ownership, or handle a dog at the Show at which they are judging. Dogs may be disqualified if proved to have been handled in the class by the scheduled judge's spouse or immediate family, or resident at the same address as the scheduled judge.
19. Removal of dogs from Competition:

Following discussion between the show management and/or a veterinary surgeon, a dog shall be prevented from competing and/or removed from the Show if it is:

- a. A bitch which is in season (apart from a dog competing in quarter finals, semi-finals and finals of Kennel Club Prestige Events, other than events held under YKC rules
- b. suffering from any infectious or contagious diseases
- c. interfering with the safety or chance of winning of an opponent
- d. of such a 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 competition/show Incident Book and submitted to the Kennel Club.

20. Dog Agility is a competitive and physically strenuous activity. It is the responsibility of the owner/handler to ensure their dog is 'fit for function' and that they themselves are fit to take part. By signing the entry form you confirm that to the best of your knowledge your dog is fit and able to take part in Agility classes on the day of the show.
21. In estimating the number of awards won, all wins up to and including 25 days before the start of the competition shall be counted when entering any class, ie, 16<sup>th</sup> May 2023. For these purposes a competition shall be defined as all classes covered within the same schedule. In the event that a dog becomes eligible for the next grade at a particular show, after the entry for that show has been sent, it is the competitor's responsibility to notify the show secretary at least 14 days before the date of the show. The dog will then be moved into the appropriate class(es) for the next grade. The dog must be moved into the corresponding number of classes as were entered at the lower grade. If there are fewer or no classes available for the next grade the competitor should be offered a refund of the relevant entry fees.
22. Should circumstances dictate, the Club, in consultation with the judges, may alter the arrangements as necessary. Such changes and the circumstances surrounding them will be reported to the Kennel Club.
23. In the event that the show is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, the 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 show, but in any event the society will refund fees within 3 months of the show date to all those who had entered and requested a refund within 1 month of the show date.
24. Except for mobility aids, nothing shall be carried in the hand while the dog is under test and food shall not be given to a dog whilst in the ring. Competitors are prohibited from wearing bags or leads whilst under test.
25. Should the judge deem a re-run is required, any result and/or faults gained in the previous run must be discounted.
26. Separate entry forms must be completed by each owner and must be signed by the owner or his authorised agent in accordance with the provisions specified thereon. Entry forms must be accompanied with the appropriate fees.
27. Competition of Dogs Suffering from Contagious or Infectious Disease – No dogs suffering from infectious or contagious disease or having been exposed to such disease during the period of 21 days prior to the Competition may compete. Competitors infringing the Regulation will be liable to be fined and /or dealt with under Kennel Club Rule A11.
28. It is the competitor's responsibility to be available for their class and running order. Competitors must run as close to their running order as possible. Failure to do so may be reported to the Kennel Club.
29. Animals in Event  
No animal, other than those officially entered, shall be brought into the precincts of the event during its continuance, except dogs registered to assist the disabled, or dogs required for educational or instructional purposes or by permission of the Board.  
However, at the discretion of the show society, a dog brought to the show by a spectator may be admitted into the precincts of the dog show, 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.
30. A pay on the day class will be held if time permits. A practice ring may be available to dogs entered for competition at the show, if space allows.
31. This ring must be supervised by a responsible adult with agility knowledge.
32. Welfare of Dogs

A competitor 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 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 Kennel Club Rules and Regulations. The use of pinch collars, electronic shock collars, or prong collars, is not permitted at any Agility show licensed by the Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue and within the precincts of the show.

33. Children under the age of 11 are the responsibility of a Parent or Guardian and must be supervised at all times, including when competing.
34. The show organisers or their authorised agents may make results from this show publicly available and share results with third parties for the same purpose.

## **INSTRUCTIONS BY CLUB OFFICIALS**

**Within the show grounds, you must follow the instructions of the show officials and ring parties at all times. Please be courteous to them. They are working hard to keep the show running smoothly. If you do not follow their instructions, you may be asked to leave, and your entry fees forfeited.**

## **DOGS IN VEHICLES 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.

***PLEASE DON'T LEAVE VALUABLES IN YOUR CAR***

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*(HELD UNDER KENNEL CLUB LIMITED RULES AND REGULATIONS H & H(1))*

**Playing Fields, Old Road, Dundrum, Co Down BT33 0NH**

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 2023**

**ONLINE ENTRIES CLOSE: 13<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023**

**POSTAL ENTRIES CLOSE 12<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023 (UK POSTMARK)**

**ROI POSTAL ENTRIES TO ARRIVE NO LATER THAN 12<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023**

**Entry Fees:** £3.50 per class

Not for competition dogs to be clearly marked NFC (no fee)

**Please make All Cheques/P.O. Payable to: DOWN DISTRICT DTC**

**INSTRUCTIONS** This 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 Committee of the Kennel Club. All dogs must be REGISTERED at the 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 Kennel Club. Dogs under 18 months of age on the day competition cannot be entered for competition. 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. Please put classes in numerical order and USE BLOCK CAPITALS throughout when completing this entry form. Children under the age of 11 are the responsibility of a Parent or Guardian and must be supervised at all times including when competing.

PLEASE CHECK ALL DETAILS BEFORE POSTING. **\*These details must be given in terms identical with registration of the dog at the Kennel Club\***

*KC REGISTERED NAME OF DOG	*KC REG NO (or ATC* No.)	*BREED	*SEX D or B	*DOB	SIZE (L, I, M, S)	GRADE	TO BE ENTERED IN CLASSES

\* A dog must at the time of entry for the competition, be registered as required by the Kennel Club Limited Rules and Regulations in the Owner's name (or else registration or transfer applied for). The Kennel Club Registration Number (or the Authority to Compete number **for dogs registered and resident outside the UK**) must be stated or the entry will be returned.

**DECLARATION**

I/We agree to submit to and be bound by the Kennel Club 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 Kennel Club is concerned and that this entry is made upon the basis that all current single or joint registered owners of the dog(s) have authorised/consented to this entry. I/We also undertake to abide by the Regulations of this Show and not to bring to the Show any dog which has contracted or been knowingly exposed to any infectious or contagious disease during the 21 days prior to the Show, or which is suffering from a visible condition which adversely affects its health or welfare. I/We further declare that, I believe to the best of my knowledge that the dogs are not liable to disqualification under Kennel Club Show Regulations.

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

Usual Signature of Owners ..... Date .....

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**HELPERS** Please indicate your offer of Help which is much appreciated

**SAT / SUN      AM / PM      ALL DAY      Job:**

\*Owner's Name .....

Address .....

.....Post Code .....

E-mail address: .....

Phone No .....

Handler, if different, please supply name, address, e-mail and phone number on reverse

I confirm that my dog/s, if Small, Medium or Intermediate, have been /will be subject to an official measurement prior to competing at this show

INTERNET ENTRIES ACCEPTED BY: [www.agilityshows.online](http://www.agilityshows.online)  
POSTAL ENTRIES MAY BE SENT TO: DOWN DISTRICT DTC,  
C/O MARIA HAAGE, 47 OLD PARK RD, DRUMANESS, BT24 8LY