



W.B.S.D.S

Two-Day Open Agility Show

SCHEDULE OF 36 & 35 CLASS OPEN AGILITY SHOWS

Please note this show is open to all – it is not breed specific.
(Held under Kennel Club Rules & Regulations H & H (1))

On
Saturday 24th & Sunday 25th April 2010
At
Newbury Showground, Chieveley, Berkshire RG18 9QZ

SHOW OPENS: 8am BRIEFING: 8.15am JUDGING: 8.30am

Entries Close: 10th March 2010 Postmarked
N.B. Late entries will be returned

Entries & Fees to: L & N Show Services (WBSDS)
6 Crocus Way, Yaxley Peterborough PE7 3WR
01733 243427 calls up to 9pm liz@Lnshowservices.co.uk

Internet entries will be accepted via



Show Secretary: June Le Fevre

Camping Limited – 300 Units plus club members

Guarantors to the Kennel Club:

Chairman: Helen Fletcher, 22 Walcot Grove, Eaton Park, Stoke on Trent
Secretary: June Le Fevre, 456 Bideford Green, Linslade, Beds, LU7 2TZ - 07989 781675
Treasurer: Sue Cuddon, 4 Windsor Crescent, East Hagbourne, Oxon, OX11 9LY

Vet on Call: O'GORMAN, SLATER & MAIN, TEL: 01635 47170

Equipment supplied by JDA - Electronic timing by K9 Timers in all rings

Saturday Judges : Andrea Russ – Ann Roberts – Anne Neave - Caroline King – David Isbister -
Debbie Walker - Elaine Thompson - Jan Manners - Lindy Margach - Patrick Raymond - Rosemary
Stowers – Tina Stockton Reserve : Marie Hembrow

Sunday Judges : Andy Hudson (ABC) – Anna Burton - Don Curtis - Hazel Thorp - Ian Stowers –
Jan Condra - Janet Wood – Lesley Jeavons – Mark Lambden – Mike Douglas - Sheila Walmsley –
Tony Griffin Reserve : Hilary Poole
Additional judges to be appointed if necessary

Show/Competition Manager: Barbara Peters

Schedule of Classes - Saturday 24th April 2010

Class No.	GRADES	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
LARGE DOG CLASSES								
1	Large Graded Jumping	1	2					
2	Large Graded Jumping	1	2					
3	Large Combined Agility – Omni-Pro Dog Food Starters G1-2 Agility Qualifying Heat.	1	2					
4	Large Jumping			3				
5	Large Jumping			3				
6	Large Agility			3				
7	Large Graded Jumping				4	5		
8	Large Graded Jumping				4	5		
9	Large Graded Agility				4	5		
10	Large Graded Jumping						6	7
11	Large Graded Jumping						6	7
12	Large Graded Agility						6	7
13	Large Special ABC Combined Jumping	1	2	3	4			
14	Large Special ABC Combined Jumping					5	6	7
15	Large Combined Jumping	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
MEDIUM DOG CLASSES								
16	Medium Combined Jumping	1	2					
17	Medium Combined Jumping	1	2					
18	Medium Graded Agility	1	2					
19	Medium Combined Jumping			3	4	5		
20	Medium Combined Jumping			3	4	5		
21	Medium Graded Agility			3	4	5		
22	Medium Combined Jumping						6	7
23	Medium Combined Jumping						6	7
24	Medium Graded Agility						6	7
25	Medium Combined Jumping	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
SMALL DOG CLASSES								
26	Small Combined Jumping	1	2					
27	Small Combined Jumping	1	2					
28	Small Graded Agility	1	2					
29	Small Combined Jumping			3	4	5		
30	Small Combined Jumping			3	4	5		
31	Small Graded Agility			3	4	5		
32	Small Combined Jumping						6	7
33	Small Combined Jumping						6	7
34	Small Graded Agility						6	7
35	Small Combined Jumping	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
ANYSIZE DOG CLASSES								
36	Special Anysize Jumping	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

Note : All competitors will be required to work for up to a maximum 1 hour each day that they are entered at his show.

NB: Classes may be split and additional Judges may be appointed should entries warrant

**COMPETITORS MAY ENTER A MAXIMUM OF 5 CLASSES PER DOG PER DAY
PLEASE NOTE : There is NO Measuring at this show**

Today's Class Sponsors :
 Class 3 – Omni-Pro Dog Food
 Class 13 – Browns Agility
 Class 14 – Sew What

Schedule of Classes – Sunday 25th April 2010

Class No.	GRADES	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
LARGE DOG CLASSES								
37	Large Graded Jumping	1	2					
38	Large Graded Jumping	1	2					
39	Large Graded Agility	1	2					
40	Large Jumping			3				
41	Large Jumping			3				
42	Large Agility			3				
43	Large Graded Jumping				4	5		
44	Large Graded Jumping				4	5		
45	Large Graded Agility				4	5		
46	Large Graded Jumping						6	7
47	Large Graded Jumping						6	7
48	Large Graded Agility						6	7
49	KC Olympia ABC Dog Agility Stakes Special Large Grades 1 to 7 Agility (Combined) - ABC QUALIFIER	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
50	Large Combined Jumping	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
MEDIUM DOG CLASSES								
51	Medium Graded Jumping	1	2					
52	Medium Combined Jumping	1	2					
53	Medium Combined Agility	1	2					
54	Medium Graded Jumping			3	4	5		
55	Medium Combined Jumping			3	4	5		
56	Medium Combined Agility			3	4	5		
57	Medium Graded Jumping						6	7
58	Medium Combined Jumping						6	7
59	Medium Combined Agility						6	7
60	Medium Combined Jumping	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
SMALL DOG CLASSES								
61	Small Graded Jumping	1	2					
62	Small Combined Jumping	1	2					
63	Small Combined Agility	1	2					
64	Small Graded Jumping			3	4	5		
65	Small Combined Jumping			3	4	5		
66	Small Combined Agility			3	4	5		
67	Small Graded Jumping						6	7
68	Small Combined Jumping						6	7
69	Small Combined Agility						6	7
70	Small Combined Jumping	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
ANYSIZE DOG CLASSES								
71	Special Anysize Jumping	1	2	3	4	5	6	7

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Today's Class Sponsors :
Class 49 – The Kennel Club

PRIZES

Any Size Jumping – Clear Round Rosettes only, no placing rosettes or Trophies in this class

In all other classes: Rosettes to at least 10% of entries in all classes
TROPHIES - To 1ST PLACE ONLY (classes with 19 or less dogs) - To 2nd PLACE ONLY
(classes with more than 19, but less than 50 dogs) - To 3rd PLACE (classes with 50 or more dogs)
Combined classes are counted as total in class whilst Graded classes are treated as total in Grade

Unplaced clear round rosettes in all classes to be collected on the day
***Best BSD Rosettes for WBSDS members only in all Large Classes (except Anysize Jumping)**

Combined classes are scheduled for the grades stated with one overall set of results for the whole class.
Graded classes are scheduled for one or more grades with separate results and awards issued for each grade.



THE KENNEL CLUB
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The Kennel Club Olympia ABC Agility Stakes*

2009/10 RULES

This competition is a special agility competition open to all dogs excluding Border Collies, Working Sheepdogs and any of their crosses. In the event of a dispute over the parentage of a dog, a decision will be left to the judge's discretion.

Those dogs eligible to compete in competition for Large dogs are those measuring over 430mm (1 foot 5 inches) at the withers and open to dogs in grades 1 to 7 and judged under the Kennel Club regulations for standard classes.

Competitors may enter more than one dog in a heat and may qualify more than one dog for the semi-finals. Handlers may only qualify one dog for the final which will be the highest placed dog at the semi-final. Once a dog has qualified for the semi-final/final, further heats may be entered for competition although any placings in these further heats will not affect the dog's eligibility for the final/semi-finals.

The first four previously unqualified placed dogs will be invited from each heat to compete in the semi-final which will be held at The City of Birmingham Championship Dog Show at Stoneleigh. The first ten highest placed dogs at the semi-final will be invited to compete in the finals to be held at Olympia.

REFRESHMENTS: available all day. No licensed bar facilities will be available.

HELPING AT OUR SHOW

Everyone entered at our show is required as a condition of entry to help for up to maximum of 1 hour per day. Shows run more smoothly if we all spread the load. Please ensure that you complete the helpers section on the entry form to indicate your helping time preferences. In the event that you have not completed this section or left it blank the show processor will simply allot you a helping time.

VET ON CALL: O'Gorman, Slater & Main, Donnington Grove Veterinary Surgery, Oxford Road, Newbury, Berkshire RG14 2JB Tel: 01635 47170

DAY PARKING: Use the main entrance where officials will direct you.

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Approx Ten heats to be held at various Agility shows around the country with the final being held at Severnside Agility Club – 2010 (Date to be confirmed)

HEATS

The first three placed dogs in each heat will be invited to go forward to the Final.

A Heat will be a Combined Grades 1 & 2 Large Dogs Agility. If a heat needs to be split, prizes will be offered in each part, with the first three placed dogs in each part being invited to go forward for the Final.

- 1st Prize** – Trophy, Rosette and 1X OmniPro Dog Food
- 2nd Prize** – Trophy, Rosette and 1X OmniPro Dog Food
- 3rd Prize** – Trophy, Rosette and 1 Tub of 1X OmniPro Dog Food
- 4th – 20th** Rosettes (or 10% of entry whichever is greater)

OmniPro **Annual Agility Starters Cup** **Rules & Regulations**

- Eligibility for competition is under the Kennel Club classification and is open to dogs Working Grades One and Two Large Dog Agility.
- The competition must be judged under the appropriate Kennel Club Rules in force at the time of the event.
- Competitors entering the competition must be deemed to have agreed to abide by those Rules and Regulations
- Competitors may qualify more than one dog for the Final.
- Each heat is open to all competitors eligible for Grades 1 & 2 Large Dogs.
- Qualifiers may enter further heats for competition, providing they are still eligible for Grades 1 and 2.
- Handlers who gain a place in a heat with a previously qualified dog should inform the OmniPro representative on the day of the show of this fact.
- The competition will consist of approx'10 heats with the first 3 placed dogs from each heat going through to the final. In the event of someone qualifying more than once for the final, the next placed eligible dog will be taken from the appropriate heat.
- Should someone be unable to attend the Final the next placed eligible Dog may be invited at the sponsor's discretion
- Surrogate Handlers will not be allowed.
- We reserve the right to publish any photos of the events, dogs & handlers in our promotional material without obligation.

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SHOW RULES AND 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. The registration number/Authority to Compete number will be required for each entry.
2. Entry fees : Non Members electronic entry via ISS = £2.60 per class and Hard copy entries via post £2.80, camping at £18 for 2 the two nights. WBSDS members receive discounted rates.
3. Prizes – no monetary prizes are on offer. Awards for each class are listed in the awards section of the schedule.
4. Entries may be made via the internet by going to www.ishowservices.com
5. The Working Belgian Shepherd Dog Society Committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
6. Puppies under 18 calendar months of age on the first day of the Show are not eligible to compete for Kennel Club licensed Agility Shows
7. 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.
8. No bitch in season is allowed to compete.
9. No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of a dog at any time within the boundaries of the Show.
10. Dogs must not wear any type of slip, half-slip collar or lead when under test. A 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.
11. Should a judge be unable to fulfill the appointment to judge the Committee reserves the right to appoint another judge.
12. No competitor shall impugn the decision of the judge or judges.
13. Sponsors for the show are listed on the schedule
14. Kennel Club standard marking Regulations apply.
15. Anysize Jumping classes - jumps will be at a maximum height of 35cm for Large dogs and up to a maximum of 19cm for small and medium dogs.
16. The height limits for dogs are:
 - a. Large dogs – for dogs measuring over 430mm (1ft 5ins) at the withers
 - b. Medium dogs – for dogs measuring over 350mm (1ft 1.75ins) and measuring 430mm (1ft 5ins) or under at the withers
 - c. Small dogs – for dogs measuring 350mm (1ft 1.75ins) or under at the withers.
17. Judges at an Agility Show may not enter for competition a dog that is recorded in their ownership or part ownership, or handle a dog at the Show at which they are judging.
18. A dog shall be withdrawn from competition and removed from the Show if it is:-
 - a. A bitch which is in season.
 - b. Suffering from any infectious diseases 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 hand 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.
19. 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 for any class (for classes entered on Saturday 24th April, the date shall be 30th March 2010, for classes entered on Sunday 25th April 2010 the date shall be 31st March 2010. 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 should then be moved into the appropriated 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.
20. Should circumstances so dictate the Society, in consultation with the Judges, may alter arrangements as necessary. Such changes and the circumstances surrounding them must be reported to the Kennel Club.
21. In the event that the show is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances the society will refund fees less reasonably incurred expenses, on receipt of a stamped addressed envelope submitted to the show secretary within 1 month of the date of the show.
22. Food shall not be carried in the hand or given to a dog in the ring.
23. Separate forms must be completed by each competitor and must be signed by the competitor or his authorized agent in accordance with the provisions specified thereon. Entry forms must be accompanied with the appropriate fees.
24. Free entry passes – All competitors will be provided with a free pass enabling them to enter the event at any time of the day their competition is scheduled, but in the case of a dog owned in partnership only one such pass will be issued.
25. 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 A42.
26. No animal other than one officially entered shall be brought into the precincts of the event 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 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.
27. All dogs registered and resident outside the UK must be issued with a Kennel Club Authority to Compete number before entry to the show can be made. All overseas entries without a Kennel Club Registration number or an Authority to Compete number will be returned to the competitor.
29. A pay on the day class will be held if time permits.
30. A practice ring may be available to dogs entered for competition at the show, if space allows. This ring must be supervised by a responsible adult with agility knowledge.
31. Welfare of Dogs - An exhibitor (or 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 General Committee for disciplinary action under Kennel Club Rules and Regulations.

32. Dogs will not be received for competition after the class has been declared closed.
33. Please clean up after your dog and place in bins provided. Anyone knowingly not doing so may be asked to leave the venue and will forfeit any remaining class entries.
34. No refunds due to incorrect entries, or requests for special running orders, will be entertained.
35. All competitors who enter any special classes agree to the rules as defined in the schedule by WBSDS
36. Competitors must follow the stewards' instructions with regard to parking, camping and conduct within the show boundaries.
37. Goods may NOT be sold within the precincts of the show without prior permission of WBSDS
38. Rosettes and Trophies can only be collected on the day of the show and will NOT be forwarded.
39. Dogs are limited to 5 classes per day.

ELIGIBILITY AND SCHEDULE OF CLASSES

In accordance with KC Rules, large dogs that have not competed before 1st January 2006 & ALL Small & Medium dogs must have been officially measured before competing at a KC licensed Agility Show.

In the following definitions of classes First Prizes or other prize wins are those gained in standard classes at any Kennel Club licensed Open Agility Shows (i.e. Limited Agility Shows, special classes and invitation events excepted). Only a first place with a clear round will count towards grade progression. A dog is only eligible for one grade. Agility classes to include contact points and Jumping classes where there are no contact obstacles. With this proviso classes are defined as follows:-

DEFINITION OF CLASSES

GRADE 1 : For owners, handlers or dogs which have not gained a first place in an Agility Class or three first places in Jumping Classes at Kennel Club licensed Agility Shows. *NB Owners, handlers or dogs previously qualified out of Grade 1 (Elementary) are not eligible for this class.*

In defining the eligibility of the owner or handler for Grade 1, the three jumping wins and points progression referred to in the definitions apply only to one dog and not an accumulation of dogs.

GRADE 2 : Open to dogs which are not eligible for Grades 1, 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7 and have not gained a first place in an Agility Class or three first places in Jumping Classes at Grade 2 at Kennel Club licensed Agility Shows, or elected to progress on points from Grade 1. *NB Owners, handlers or dogs previously qualified out of Grade 2 (Starters) are not eligible for this class.*

GRADE 3 : Open to dogs which are not eligible for Grade 1 or 2 or have elected to progress on points from Grade 2 at Kennel Club licensed Agility Shows and dogs which are not eligible for Grades 4, 5, 6 or 7.

GRADE 4 : Open to dogs which have gained a first place in an Agility Class or three first places in Jumping Classes at Grade 3 or elected to progress on points from Grade 3 at Kennel Club licensed Agility Shows and are not eligible for Grade 3, 5, 6 or 7.

GRADE 5 : Open to dogs which have gained a first place in an Agility Class or three first places in Jumping Classes at Grade 4 or have elected to progress on points from Grade 4 at Kennel Club licensed Agility Shows and are not eligible for Grades 3, 4, 6 or 7.

GRADE 6 : Open to dogs which have gained a first place in an Agility Class or three first places in Jumping Classes at Grade 5 at Kennel Club licensed Agility Shows and are not eligible for Grades 3, 4, 5 or 7.

GRADE 7 : Open to dogs which have gained a minimum of 4 first places at Grade 6 at Kennel Club licensed Agility Shows, 2 first places must be gained in Agility (not Jumping) Classes.

OPEN : Open to all.

A.B.C (SPECIAL CLASS) : Open to all large dogs excluding border collies, working sheepdogs and their crosses. In the event of dispute, the judge's decision will be final.

Any Size Jumping - Open to dogs NOT entered in any other class. This is intended as a non-competitive fun run for dogs and only CLEAR ROUND rosettes will be awarded, no placed rosettes or trophies. There will be no weaves, tyre or contact equipment and jumps will be at a maximum height of 35 cms for Large dogs and up to a maximum of 19cm for small and medium dogs.. The course will be very simple and flowing and will have a course time of 60 seconds. NB. Please mark on the entry form the size category of your dog in this class.

PROGRESSION

Progression from each Grade will require one Agility win or three Jumping wins at that grade, except that progression from Grade 6 will require 4 wins at Grade 6, two of which must be agility classes. Results from Combined Classes will only count towards progression from the dog's current grade.

POINTS PROGRESSION

At the handler's discretion a dog may progress up to Grade 5 by winning 75 points at each grade, using the Agility Warrant points scheme, Regulation K3.c refers, except that there is no requirement for a minimum number of agility points. 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.

HEIGHT CLASSIFICATION OF DOGS

Small Dogs: for dogs measuring 350mm or under at the withers

Medium Dogs: for dogs measuring over 350mm and measuring 430mm or under at the withers

Large Dogs: for dogs measuring over 430mm at the withers.



www.iShowServices.com

Show Hotline:
07532 11 11 57

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In case of cancellation of the show within 7 days of the show date, notification will be sent to the relevant web sites where possible and notified to the iSS Show Hotline 07532 11 11 57. It will be the competitor's responsibility to check with the Hotline and/or the Web sites, if continuation of the show is in doubt.

CAMPING:

- Available for a fixed fee of £18 for the weekend. Please include your camping fees of £18.00 with your entries.
- The envelope containing your running orders will be your camping pass showing your permitted time of arrival. It is essential that you carry this with you as there will be security at the site entrance
- Only campers who have paid in advance will be allowed in the camping area
- **No camping units allowed on the showground before 3.00pm on Friday 23RD April 2010 (unless you are a judge or a helper who is designated to help set up the showground, in which case entry is from 11.00am. The envelope containing your running orders has a coloured label on it stating what time you can enter the site from.**
- Please arrive on the Friday 23rd April 2009 before 9.00pm to book in – after which time the entry gates will be locked.
- **NOTE : The gates to the venue will be shut between 9pm and 7am each night**
- We regret that camping will not be available for Sunday night and we request that the site is cleared by 7.30pm
- Please leave a minimum space of 20 feet between units and camp in the area indicated by the camping steward
- Training equipment is not allowed in the camping areas
- The joining of gardens is prohibited
- No dogs to be left loose in gardens, or tethered to vehicles, whilst unattended
- Fire extinguishers will be sited around the venue
- All camping units are required to have a bucket of water at the front of the unit at all times
- There are toilets and showers on site, plus an emptying point for chemical toilets

THANK YOU'S: The WBSDS extend their heartfelt thanks to Clubs, Judges and other individuals who have kindly given up their valuable time to ensure that our show is a success.

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TRADE STANDS ON SITE :-

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PLEASE LEAVE THE VENUE TIDY AND BY 7.30 PM ON SUNDAY 25TH APRIL 2010

GOOD LUCK!

DIRECTIONS

From junction 13 of the M4 take the A34 towards Oxford, then immediately take the left hand slip road towards Chieveley. At the top, turn right over the bridge and the Showground is then on your right. Go on past the house and enter through the Blue Circle gate.

STOP PRESS

****Belgian Shepherd FM comes to the WBSDS 2 day Open Agility Show****

This year, owing to the problematic and sometimes breezy nature of the area, the WBSDS agility show at Newbury Showground, will be utilising an f.m. radio public address system.

What this means:

There will still be the normal commentary box sited near the rings, complete with loudspeakers on top, to cover the ring areas & presentations etc. - this will also be readily available for 'out of hours' use, should any sort of emergency arise. (hopefully not!) In this case there will also be one extra system to cover the extended competition area. The rest of the area, including the campsites, will be covered by an FM radio signal, which will simultaneously broadcast the same announcements, presentations etc. already going out over the main p.a. system.

Some of the Benefits

No longer will there be any complaints from local residents, because of sound 'overspill'. Neither will the p.a. be too loud or too quiet, because of changes in the wind direction/strength, or your proximity to a loudspeaker group. The way in which you hear the p.a. system will be in your control.

What you need:

The f.m. signal can be received on any fm. radio - the ones which you will normally use for radio1, radio2, & local radio stations etc. i.e. car radio, caravan radio or portable etc..

However, a personal radio (walkman type) or mobile phone with a radio can be really useful, as this (should you wish) enable you to keep up to date as to what is happening 'ringside' - even though you may be exercising your dogs or taking a stroll away from the site. The radio signal should be receivable over several miles.

Radios with a digital display - NOT to be confused with DAB (Digital AudioBroadcast) - tend to be better, as they do not drift off frequency, as do some of the 'analogue' sets. Having said that, - I've not heard of anyone having problems with the analogue sets.

You will NOT receive the signal on a 'DAB ONLY' set.

The standard fm. broadcast frequency spectrum runs from 87.5MHz through to 108Mhz, with the frequency of 87.7Mhz being usually issued by Ofcom for this sort of event, although this will be confirmed at a later date.

Therefore, if you intend to use an 'analogue' tuner type radio, you will probably find that your tuner is only marked down to 88MHz. - fear not! - your tuner will almost certainly go down lower - Ofcom is hardly likely to issue a frequency that is not receivable.

During the 'gaps' between announcements, presentations etc., it is intended to re-broadcast a local radio station at low level, so you can be confident that your radio hasn't gone on the 'blink'.



All members of the WBSDS are invited to take part in a competition at the WBSDS open agility show on the 24th and 25th April 2010 to find the best Belgian Shepherd Dog owned by WBSDS members in each Grade.

Competition Rules:

You must be a current member of the WBSDS to take part in this special section of the show.

The competition is open to all varieties of Belgian Shepherd Dog (Groenendael, Tervueren, Malinois & Laekenois) across both days of the show entered in the Large ABC classes.

There will be a trophy for the BEST BSD in each Grade. The winner will be determined by the best combined performances from both the ABC classes on the Saturday and the ABC class on the Sunday. To decide the best BSD on the Saturday – for Grades 1 to 4 the results will be taken from class 13, and for Grades 5 to 7 the results will be taken from Class 14. On the Sunday the Best BSD results will come from Class number 49. Points will be awarded for placings and for unplaced clear rounds, as follows: 1st place-45 points, 2nd-40 points, 3rd-35 points, 4th-30 points, 5th-25 points, 6th-21 points, 7th-19 points, 8th-17 points, 9th-15 points, 10th-13 points, 11th-11 points, 12th-10 points down to 20th-2 points and all unplaced clear rounds get 1 point. The winner will be the BSD with the highest number of points over their two runs. The score from both rounds count, but if someone has entered only one day, their total score is taken as a total for both days and there is no need to enter on both days to be considered for this competition. In the event of a “tie break” situation, the handler with the highest points in the agility round will take priority.

The Best Overall BSD winners of each Grade over the ABC Jumping and Agility classes will receive a Trophy kindly donated by our sponsors below.

- Best Grade 1 BSD: kindly sponsored by Jo Hyslop
- Best Grade 2 BSD: kindly sponsored by Gill Raddings & Stuntdogs
- Best Grade 3 BSD: kindly sponsored by June Le Fevre
- Best Grade 4 BSD: kindly sponsored by Shirley Frankcom & Bay
- Best Grade 5 BSD: kindly sponsored by Sue & Tom Cuddon & Ered Tervueren
- Best Grade 6 BSD: kindly sponsored by WBSDS
- Best Grade 7 BSD: kindly sponsored by Michelle Griffiths & Minka BSD's

Why Join the WBSDS

Are you a Belgian Shepherd Dog enthusiast? Do you love the breed for their brains as well as their beauty?

If you answered yes to both of the questions above then you should join our Society.

The Society has been set up to give working enthusiasts a forum to exchange views, training tips and ideas, set up working events, and generally enthuse about their fantastic dogs. The society actively promotes the interests of competitive obedience, pet obedience, agility, flyball, canine freestyle, working trials, heelwork to music and herding activities for all four varieties of Belgian Shepherd Dog. The Society also embraces members who demonstrate the versatility of our lovely breed by both Breed Showing and working the same dog.

Benefits of joining the WBSDS:-

Members receive 3 or 4 newsletters a year, dependant upon the level of content for each newsletter.

Members will have exclusive online access to the members ONLY area of the WBSDS website.

You can elect to receive your newsletters electronically or in hard copy via the post.

You can join any of the WBSDS competitive leagues free of charge. Leagues are run for members in agility, obedience and working trials. Advance notice of and discounts at selected WBSDS events

If you own a BSD and are not currently a member of the WBSDS and you would like to become a member please go to www.wbsds.org.uk to download a form.

To join simply complete the form and return it together with your membership fee detailed on the membership form. For further information on our Society please contact our secretary (secretary@wbsds.org.uk)