

## INFORMATION PAGE

**NEW FORMAT FOR NESS OPEN SHOWS** – Following the successful shows held in 2019, NESS are again running back-to-back Open Shows on the same day at Eggborough Village Hall. The shows will give exhibitors the chance to enter under 2 judges on the same day.

Also, the classification has been reduced at each show, with some of the Dog & Bitch classes combined to increase class sizes which will help exhibitors towards winning Junior Warrant points.

### \*\*\*\* ROSETTES and SPECIALS \*\*\*\*

**Tower Pet Products UK Ltd** is the main sponsor of the Open Show and specific details of the sponsorship will be included in the catalogue.



**Prize Money:** £10.00 for BIS donated by Sandra Wallis  
£10.00 for BPIS donated by Mr & Mrs S Collier  
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**Rosettes for:-** Best in Show, Reserve Best in Show, Best Puppy in Show, Best Veteran and all Class Winners.

**NESS Bumper Raffle** - All offers to sponsor Rosettes, Raffle Prizes or donation of Specials will be gratefully received and acknowledged in the catalogue.

#### EXHIBITORS PLEASE NOTE

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.

**NESS Committee are pleased to provide a short resume for our  
Open Show Judge**

**Mrs Kay Stephenson (Steeplow)**

I have owned our lovely breed in partnership with my husband, Eric, since 1999. Our second English Setter, Wistaston School Timesaver for Steeplow won well for us, including his stud book number and a Show Certificate of Merit, but it was with Wansleydale Huckleberry (Finn) that we won our first 'green cards'. We were thrilled when he won 2 RCCs. Eric had done most of the handling in the early days, but I was handling him when he won that first RCC! Our first CC winner was Wistaston Starting School at Steeplow JW Sh CM who went on to win another CC and 2 RCCs but our dream finally came true in 2019 when we made up Sh Ch Lakecastle Sakura at Wistaston. I began judging in 2008 and since then have judged in most parts of the UK and I judged the ESA Open Show in 2015. I am delighted to have been invited to judge one of the NESS Open Shows and am really looking forward to the day.

**CLASSIFICATION**

**Judge: Mrs Kay Stephenson (Steeplow)**

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| 1. Veteran Dog or Bitch     |                         |
| 2. Minor Puppy Dog or Bitch |                         |
| 3. Puppy Dog or Bitch       |                         |
| 4. Junior Dog               | 10. Junior Bitch        |
| 5. Yearling Dog             | 11. Yearling Bitch      |
| 6. Graduate Dog             | 12. Graduate Bitch      |
| 7. Post Graduate Dog        | 13. Post Graduate Bitch |
| 8. Limit Dog                | 14. Limit Bitch         |
| 9. Open Dog                 | 15. Open Bitch          |

Note: There will be different ring numbers for each show, please check with the stewards

**Weather permitting, all judging will take place outside  
on the grassed area next to the hall**

## DEFINITIONS OF CLASSES

In the following definitions, a Challenge Certificate includes any show award that counts towards the title of Champion under the rules of any governing body recognised by the Kennel Club. Wins at Championship Shows in breed classes where Challenge Certificates are not on offer shall be counted as wins at Open Shows. In the case of a dog owned in partnership and entered in Members' classes or competing for Members' Specials each partner must at the time of entry be a member of the Society. In estimating the number of awards won, all wins up to and including the seventh day before the date of closing of POSTAL entries shall be counted when entering for any class i.e. **Monday 6<sup>th</sup> April, 2020**. Wins in Variety classes do not count for entry in Breed classes but when entering for Variety classes, wins in both Breed and Variety classes must be counted. A First Prize does not include a Special Prize of whatever value.

If an exhibitor reports before the judging of a class or classes that a dog has been entered which is ineligible, the exhibitor may choose one of the following options:-

- (1) **WITHDRAWAL:** The dog may be withdrawn from competition subject to the conditions of Regulations 9(j) and 20.
- (2) **TRANSFER:** a) If a dog is ineligible for a class or classes as regards its colour, sex, weight or height the Show Secretary shall transfer it to the equivalent class or classes for the correct colour, sex, weight or height and in the event of there being no equivalent class, Minor Puppy and Puppy excepted to the Open class for the correct colour, sex, weight or height.  
b) If an exhibit is entered incorrectly in a Minor Puppy Class, Puppy Class or Junior Class, which is over age but under 12 calendar months of age, 18 calendar months of age or 24 calendar months of age respectively the Show Secretary shall transfer the exhibit to the Puppy Class, Junior Class or Yearling Class respectively for the correct breed, colour, sex, weight or height and in the event of there being no Puppy, Junior or Yearling Class to the Open Class for the correct breed, colour, sex, weight or height.

If an exhibit arrives late and misses a class, even if it is the only class in which the dog is entered, the dog may not be transferred to any other class.

**MINOR PUPPY:** For dogs of six and not exceeding nine calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

**PUPPY:** For dogs of six and not exceeding twelve calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

**JUNIOR:** For dogs of six and not exceeding eighteen calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

**YEARLING:** For dogs of twelve and not exceeding Twenty Four calendar months of age on the first day of the show

**GRADUATE:** For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or four or more First Prizes at Championship Shows in Graduate, Post Graduate, Minor Limit, Mid Limit, Limit and Open classes, whether restricted or not where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed

**POST GRADUATE:** For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate CACIB/CAC/Green Stars or five or more First Prizes at Championship Shows in Post Graduate, Minor Limit, Mid Limit, Limit and Open classes, whether restricted or not where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

**LIMIT:** For dogs which have not become show Champions under Kennel Club Regulations or under the rules of any governing body recognised by the Kennel Club, or won 3 or more CC/CACIB/CAC/Green Stars or won 7 or more First Prizes in all at Championship Shows in Limit and Open Classes, confined to the breed, whether restricted or not, at Shows where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

**OPEN:** For all dogs of the breed for which the class is provided and eligible for entry at the Show.

**VETERAN:** For dogs of not less than seven years of age on the first day of the show.

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The Show will open 9.00 a.m.
2. Dogs will be received at any time but it is the exhibitors responsibility to ensure that exhibits are available for judging when required.
3. Judging commence 10.00 a.m..
4. Exhibits may be removed from the Show after their judging has been completed. The Show will close half an hour after all judging has been completed.
5. **ENTRY FEES:** Members: £4.00 First Entry Per Dog; All Subsequent Entries with same Dog £1.50. Non- Members: £5.00 First Entry Per Dog; All Subsequent Entries with same £1.50. Catalogues: £2.00 Prepaid with entry. Membership: £5.00 Single; £7.00 Joint.
6. **PRIZE MONEY:** Best in Show, Best Puppy in Show and Best Veteran in Show only.
7. The Committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
8. Puppies under six calendar months of age on the first day of the Show are not eligible for exhibition.

9. The mating of bitches within the precincts of the Show is forbidden.
10. **BEST PUPPY IN SHOW.** Where a Best Puppy in Show competition is scheduled the Best Puppy in Show is a puppy which has competed and received a first prize in a class at the same Show. A puppy is a dog of six and not exceeding twelve calendar months of age on the first day of the Show. Where the Best in Show is a puppy it should automatically be awarded Best Puppy in Show. Where the Reserve Best in Show is a puppy which has only been beaten by an adult dog it should also automatically be Best Puppy in Show. Consequently, selection of Best Puppy in Show must follow the selection of Best in Show.
11. **BEST IN SHOW:** Best in Show must be selected from the exhibits declared Best of Sex. If a Reserve Best in Show is to be selected, the eligible dogs are those declared Best Opposite Sex and Reserve Best of Sex to the exhibit declared Best in Show.
12. Exhibits will not be admitted to Best in Show competition after a period of ten minutes has elapsed since the announcement that exhibits are required for judging, unless they have been unavoidably delayed by previous judging not being completed on time, and then only with the special permission of the Show Management.
13. Exhibitors must not pick up dogs by their tails and leads when lifting them nor handle a dog in a manner which causes its feet not touch the ground when on the move. This is not acceptable. Exhibitors should note that such practice would constitute harsh handling and reports of such practice will be referred to the Committee under Kennel Club Show Regulation F11.
14. All exhibitors must be familiar with Kennel Club Regulation F (Annex B) Regulations for the preparation of Dogs for Exhibition.
15. All dogs resident outside the U.K. must be issued with a Kennel Club Authority to Compete number before entry to the show/event can be made. All overseas entries without an Authority to Compete number will be returned to the exhibitor/competitor.
16. **A DOGS IN VEHICLES ON HOT DAYS**

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.**

17. 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 Board for disciplinary action under the Kennel Club Rules and Regulations. The use of pinch collars, electronic shock collars, or prong collars, is not permitted at any show licensed by the Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue or within the precincts of the show.
18. Not for competition entries will be accepted. Details of each dog so entered must be recorded on the entryform and must be Kennel Club Registered.
19. No modifications will be made to the schedule except by permission of the Board of the Kennel Club, which will be followed by advertisement in the Canine Press wherever possible.