

**Castlewellan & District Agricultural Show**  
Schedule  
Open Agility Show  
(Held under Kennel Club Rules and Regulations H&H (1))  
And licensed by The Kennel Club Limited

**Castlewellan Forest Park**  
**Castlewellan**  
**13 July 2019**

**GUARANTORS TO THE KENNEL CLUB**  
**The Castlewellan & District Agricultural Show Limited**

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**POSTAL ENTRIES TO: Castlewellan & District Agricultural Show Ltd,**  
**c/o ASO, Parkview, Brinklow Road, Easenhall, Rugby CV23 0JD**  
**Entry enquiries: 01788 834670**  
Cheques should be made payable to Castlewellan & District Agricultural Show Ltd

Enter online at [www.agilityshows.online](http://www.agilityshows.online) Registration is free

The minimum entry fee is £5.00 per owner which covers up to 2 class entries whether or not they are used --- see paragraph 3 in the Rules and Regulations below for an explanation. Additional entries per owner beyond the minimum are £2.50 per dog per class. A pay on the day class may be offered if time permits.

**Competition Manager: Louise McClurg**

**ONLINE ENTRIES CLOSE 17 JUNE 2019**  
**POSTAL ENTRIES CLOSE 11 JUNE 2019**

**Veterinary Support:** The Castle Veterinary Group, 8 Dublin Road, Castlewellan, BT31 9AQ will provide veterinary cover at the Show throughout the day.

Equipment: aluminium rubber-coated contacts will be used in this show

**THE LOWER HEIGHT OPTION WILL BE AVAILABLE IN ALL CLASSES WITH ONE SET OF RESULTS PER CLASS**

**Rosettes: 1<sup>st</sup> to 6<sup>th</sup> in classes with 30 or more entries and 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> in classes with fewer than 30 entries.**

**Prize money: every class 1<sup>st</sup> £8, 2<sup>nd</sup> £6 and 3<sup>rd</sup> £4.**

**CATERING: FOOD WILL BE AVAILABLE ALL DAY AT A VARIETY OF STALLS**

**Show Opens - 08:00**

**Briefing - 08:30**

**Judging - 08:45**

*Awards won after 18 June 2018 cannot be counted in determining the grade at which a dog may compete at this show.*

**THE LOWER HEIGHT OPTION WILL BE IS AVAILABLE IN EVERY CLASS IN THIS SHOW. PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU TICK THE BOX PROVIDED IN THE ENTRY FORM IF YOU WISH TO ENTER YOUR DOG IN THE LOWER HEIGHT OPTION.**

**THE SCHEDULE OF CLASSES**

JUDGE	CLASSES		CLASS NUMBERS		
			Large Dogs	Medium Dogs	Small Dogs
<b>DAVID DUNCAN</b>  <b>A RESERVE JUDGE HAS BEEN APPOINTED.</b>	Agility	Grade 1 – 2 Combined	1	2	3
	Agility	Grade 3 – 5 Combined.	4	5	6
	Agility	Grade 6 - 7 Combined	7	8	9
	Jumping	Grade 1 - 2 Combined	10	11	12
	Jumping	Grade 3 - 5 Combined	13	14	15
	Jumping	Grade 6 - 7 Combined	16	17	18

**Classes will run in numerical order. The lower height option will run after the full height has been completed in each class.**

**ELIGIBILITY FOR CLASSES**

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

Standard classes are scheduled as agility classes or jumping classes. All standard classes will include the weaving poles obstacle. In addition standard agility classes will have the A-frame, dog walk and see-saw. With these provisos 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 either be held as a graded class or a combined class. A graded class may be scheduled for a maximum of 3 consecutive grades with separate results and awards issued 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 a class as referenced in H(1)9A)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.

**Lower Height Option.** Societies may offer the Lower Height Option to all dogs in that height category and may be offered at all grades. It is to be run as part of any Standard class as defined in the regulations and must be clearly identified in the schedule. Each relevant class will have two height with a change part way through to higher/lower the jump heights and may extend/reduce the length of the long jump and width of the rising spread, within the permitted ranges, and competitors must run at their entered height. The order in which the heights will run must be detailed on the ring cards/ring plan. There will be only one course walking at the start of the class. In a class where the Lower Height Option is available show organisers may offer one set of awards by combining the results of each height or may offer separate awards for each height category.

Competitors will be allowed to walk the course set at Small, Medium or Large height without their dogs before a class begins. Hurdles may be raised/lowered during the course walking time if multiple heights are offered within the same class.

When the Lower Height Option is scheduled a dog may only be entered at either the Full Height or at the Lower Height and it cannot compete at a different height in any other class at that competition, including special classes. For these purposes a competition shall be defined as all classes covered within the same schedule.

**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 grades. (A dog is only eligible for one grade). In defining the eligibility of the owner or handler for Grade 1, the three jumping 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 be 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 Grades 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 2 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 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 at Grade 3, or elected to progress on points from Grade 3 and are not eligible for Grades 3, 5, 6 or 7.
<b>Grade 5</b>	Open to dogs which have gained a minimum of four first place 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 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 an agility (not jumping) class and are not eligible for Grades 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.

## RULES AND REGULATIONS

- 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.
- 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 ATC number will be returned to the exhibitor/competitor.
- The minimum entry fee per owner** is £5.00 which covers up to 2 class entries whether it is used by the owner for one dog entered in 2 classes, one dog in 1 classes and another dog in 1 class. Additional class entries cost £2.50 per dog.
- Internet entries will be accepted via [www.agilityshows.online](http://www.agilityshows.online)
- The Committee reserves the right to refuse entries.
- Only dogs of 18 calendar months of age and over on the day of competition are eligible to compete in Kennel Club licensed agility shows.
- A dog must not compete in the same class more than once including Special Classes.
- None of the classes will be capped.
- Not for competition entries will be accepted for dogs aged 4 calendar months and over. Dogs must be Kennel Club registered with their details recorded on the entry form. There is no entry fee.
- No bitch in season is allowed to compete.
- The mating of bitches within the precincts of the competition is forbidden.
- No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of a dog at any time within the boundaries of the Show.
- Dogs must not wear any type of slip or half-slip collar or chain when under test. A single flat, close fitting, leather or webbing collar is permitted providing the only attachment is a plain identification panel which is an integral part of the collar, i.e. not attached by a ring.
- Should a judge be unable to fulfil the appointment to judge the Committee reserves the right to appoint another judge.-
- No competitor shall impugn the decision of the judge or judges.
- Kennel Club Standard Marking Regulations apply to all standard classes.
- The height limit for dogs is:-  
  - Large Dog classes – for dogs measuring over 430mm (1ft. 5ins) at the withers;
  - Medium Dog classes – for dogs measuring over 350mm (1ft. 1.75ins) and 430mm (1ft. 5ins) or under at the withers;
  - Small Dog classes – for dogs measuring 350mm (1ft. 1.75ins) or under at the withers.
- Judges at an agility show may not enter 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 any resident at the same address.
- 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 bitch in season;

- suffering from any infectious or contagious diseases;
- interfering with the safety or chance of winning of an opponent;
- 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; or
- 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 the 25 day before the start of the competition, i.e. **18 June 2019** shall be counted when entering for any class. 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 will 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, Castlereagh and District Dog Training Club will refund fees, less reasonably incurred expenses. If we have the provisions to do so, competitors will be refunded in the manner in which they paid their entry fees, but in any event we will refund fees within 3 months of the show date to all who have entered and requested a refund within one 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 an authorised agent, in accordance with the provision specified thereon. Entry forms must be accompanied by the appropriate fees.

27. Competition of dogs suffering from contagious or infectious disease -- No dogs suffering from an 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 this regulation will be liable to be fined and/or dealt with under KC Rule A11.

28. It is the competitors' responsibility to be available for their classes 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. 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, dogs required for educational or instructional purposes, or those admitted 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 show, provided that those in charge of the dog sign a declaration confirming that the dog is free from disease and that the dog will be kept under proper control at all times.

#### Welfare of Dogs

Exhibitors (or competitors) must take all reasonable steps to ensure the needs of their dogs are met, and must 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 are not permitted at any agility show licensed by the Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue and within the precincts of the show.