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## AGILITY TEAM GB SQUAD ONLY PERFORMANCE WEEKEND

Held alongside "Lincoln Agility Enthusiasts Show"



**Saturday 22 and Sunday 23 April 2017**

**Venue:** The Lincolnshire Showground, Grange-de-Lings,  
Lincoln LN2 2NA  
(Outside on grass)

**Briefing 08:15, Course walking: 08:30, Judging: 09:00**

**Judge:** Jorge Pires (Portugal)

**Assistant Judge:** Neil Ellis

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Entry Fee: £20.00 per dog, to be paid with entries as follows:

**Closing date for entries - Monday 6 March**

Entries into the Performance Weekend this year are through iSS

*Internet entries will be accepted via*



[www.iShowServices.com](http://www.iShowServices.com)

<https://www.ishowservices.com/> **Entries open on Tuesday 20 December**

Any enquires about the Performance Weekend please call 020 7518 1013

Email: [agility@thekennelclub.org.uk](mailto:agility@thekennelclub.org.uk)

**CAMPING** – Please book all camping with the Lincoln Agility Enthusiasts Show'

## **AGILITY TEAM GB PERFORMANCE WEEKEND**

### **Team GB Squad**

The Performance Weekend (PW) is a final opportunity for the 2017 squad to compete together before selection of the 2017 teams. It is also an opportunity for the Coaching Team to see the squad working outside on courses designed and judged by an international judge.

The final team selections will be based upon the dog & handlers overall performance over the selection period (4 December to 23 April). Handlers should be aiming to put on their top performances and be best prepared for the PW.

The final teams will be announced in early May 2017.

### **2018 Development Opportunities**

Dogs and handlers who are not part of the 2017 squad can enter on Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> April to gain experience on international courses designed and judged by an international judge. The Coaching Team will be looking for a maximum of 12 dogs (four from each height) from the Sunday competition to be invited on to the 2018 squad as development dogs/handlers.

The Coaching Team will be focusing on dogs and/or handlers new to international agility competition and who show potential as future squad members.

The development dogs & handlers will have access to the Coaching Team expertise through 2017. They will be supported with the aim of being active members of the 2018 squad.

### **Judging Note**

1. The ring size will be 25m x 40m and courses will be of FCI style.
2. The FCI tyre may be included in any course at the judge's discretion and will be available for practice on the day.
3. Judging will be in accordance with FCI rules, please familiarise yourself with these prior to arrival.

The full rules can be downloaded from: <http://www.fci.be/en/Agility-45.html>

**Saturday 22 April 2017**

**AGILITY TEAM GB SQUAD MEMBERS ONLY**

The classes are designed to mirror the competitive environment of both the European Open Agility Championships (EO) and the FCI World Agility Championships (AWC).

Squad members will be entered in all classes.

**Class 1**      Jumping

**Class 2**      Agility

**Class 3**      Final Agility - *This Class will be run in reverse order of the results from Class 1 and Class 2. Last to run will be 1<sup>st</sup> place in agility, 2<sup>nd</sup> to last to run will be 1<sup>st</sup> place from jumping etc.*

**Sunday 23 April 2017**

**Team GB Squad members and Grade 6-7 dogs (capped at 150)**

**Class 5**      Jumping

**Class 6**      Agility  
*Non-squad dogs will run first, then squad dogs which will run in reverse order from the results of class 5.*

Running orders will be advised in advance for all classes except Class 3 & 6. Handlers will run in strict running order. In cases of a handler having more than one dog we will try to ensure a minimum of a three dog break.

These classes will be open to small / medium / large Grade 6-7 dogs who are not part of the 2017 squad. Numbers will be limited to 50 dogs per height, capped at a total of 150 dogs. Should the number of entries for any height category be less than 50, then additional dogs will be taken from other height categories.

A waiting list will be held prior to the entries closing

**THE VENUE**

The Lincolnshire Showground, Grange-de-Lings, Lincoln LN2 2NA

We would like to thank Lincoln Agility Enthusiasts for the use of their venue for the Performance Weekend.

There will be hot/cold refreshments available all day from a catering trailer



## THE KENNEL CLUB

*Making a difference for dogs*

### SPONSORSHIP

The Kennel Club continues to support Agility Team GB and teams entered for the international events run by the FCI are official Kennel Club teams. Financial support is currently provided to ensure the teams are professionally managed and that the health and welfare of your dogs is looked after by the team vet, all of whose expenses are covered by the Kennel Club along with administrative support provided by the Canine Activities Department. Due to further sponsorship being secured, both teams will travel to the championships via coach, all costs covered by the Kennel Club and CSJ Specialist Canine Feeds.

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The official sponsors for Team GB are the Kennel Club, CSJ Specialist Canine Feeds, Gencon, Khyam, Eurotunnel, NTU, Agility 1st and First Contact Agility Equipment (official equipment supplier for Agility Team GB).

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Efforts continue to be made by the Kennel Club's marketing department to identify and attract commercial sponsors for the team. As a result it remains necessary to maintain some control over 'Agility Team GB' as a brand and any sponsorship negotiations that involve the team as a whole must be conducted and managed centrally.

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We understand and endorse individual efforts to attract financial and product assistance for themselves to aid with expenses and for the supply of product. However, it must be made clear that individual negotiations cannot involve endorsements which require individuals to wear 'unofficial' branding or logos on team uniforms as this will lead to a conflict of interest with 'official' team sponsors should we be successful in attracting them. Team members will be expected to wear KC uniforms on practice and competition days.

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This policy does not preclude individuals from securing personal sponsorship or for them to wear sponsors clothing or logos in and around, or to and from the international event in which you are competing.

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The management team have to look at the sponsorship position overall, there is a big difference between a supplier providing product at little additional outlay to themselves and providing financial support which benefits the team as a whole. As a result, I hope you understand that it is not in the best interests of the squad for a variety of different logos to appear on team uniforms.

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The Kennel Club would also like to thank Nottingham Trent University for the use of its venue and facilities at the Team's squad and team days and also to Agility 1<sup>st</sup> for sponsoring the 'Development Programme

## Show Regulations

**Please note regulations in bold, as they vary from the normal regulations.**

1. Dogs entered at this qualifying competition must be registered on the Kennel Club Register.
2. The Committee reserves itself the right to refuse entries.
3. The mating of bitches within the precinct of the show is forbidden.
4. No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of a dog at any time within the boundaries of the show.
5. **Dogs must not wear slip chains, collars or leads when under test.**  
Should a Judge be unable to fulfill the appointment to judge, the committee reserves the right to appoint another Judge.
6. No competitor shall impugn the decision of the Judge or Judges.
7. **F. C. I. Agility Rules will apply.**
8. 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 an Agility Show and/or Flyball Competition if it is:
  - a. A bitch which is in season.
  - b. Suffering from any infectious 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 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.
9. 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 classes (31 March 2017).
10. It is the competitor's responsibility to be available for their class and running order.
11. **Dogs must be run in the order in which they are drawn.**
12. 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.
13. A dog, at the time of entry for the Competition, must be registered as required by the Kennel Club Rules & Regulations in the owner's name (or registration or transfer applied for). In the case of joint registered owners the full name of every registered owner must be given. 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 Kennel Club Rules and Regulations. In the event of any dispute, evidence of such authority and consent will be required. A dog acquired subsequent to entry having been made at a Competition may compete as the new owner's property provided that an application for the transfer has been forwarded to the Kennel Club before the Competition, and the new owner has undertaken to abide by the Regulations and conditions of the original entry form (and in accordance with the conditions set out above).
14. Except for mobility aids, nothing shall be carried in the hand while the dog is under test and food shall not be given to the dog whilst in the ring – elimination.
15. Should a judge deem a re-run is required, any result and/or faults gained in the previous run must be discounted.
16. Animals at Event. - 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 Kennel Club.
17. Competitors are reminded of the suffering that can be caused when dogs are left in cars on sunny days. Remedial action will be taken in the event of dogs found in a distressed condition
18. All dogs will be entered at this Show at their owners risk. Whilst the Committee/helpers will undertake every care, they will not take responsibility for loss, damage or injury howsoever caused to dogs, persons or property.
19. Please clear up after your dog, or the Show Manager will ask you to leave the show ground.