

## Mike Hallam



I started in Agility in 1985 with my Border Collie Dan, and my first judging appointment was at Wirral in 1986. I am currently judging all levels including Championship. We currently have 10 dogs with 6 Miniature Poodles and 4 Border Collies, unfortunately some are retired but we still compete with 7 dogs. I am married to Steph with one son Jonathan, all compete and Jon also judges, living near Macclesfield. I am a member of Wilmslow DTC and am lucky enough to have represented the club in the Crufts Team twice, making the Final both times. I have also qualified for Crufts 4 times in teams and individual classes, also qualifying for two Olympia Semi Finals but never managing to get to the Finals. I can dream. My Gr 7 Min Poodle has achieved a 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> in Champ and has achieved a total of over 2000 warrant points; unfortunately the new awards have a come a little too late as she is now 11.

I was originally Chairman of the Agility Council and have represented the North West in every term barring two, where I had a break. I take the Council work very seriously and always try to represent what is best for Agility as a whole. I also served for two terms on the Kennel Club Activities Sub-Committee as well being a KC Associate Member before it became a requirement of being on the Council. Currently serving as a member of the Equipment Panel representing North West Region.

I have held a number of positions at Crufts over many years including Special Events Ring Steward, Group Steward for the Arena in the Green blazer and I have just taken over organising and managing the Agility Demo section as part of the Kennel Club Activities area.

Member of the Kennel Club International Agility Festival Working Party with responsibility for the Ring area including set-up, breakdown and overall management during the Festival.

I look to represent Agility for the benefit of all people involved trying as best I can to improve our great sport in what can be a challenging situation to keep everyone happy.

