

## **Kennel Club International Agility Festival Report**

- The International Agility Festival will be held at Rockingham Castle, Leicestershire from 11-14 August 2016. Rockingham Castle has also been booked for 2017 dates (10-13 August), and will be a four day show due to the success from previous years.
- The Kennel Club would like to thank the International Agility Festival's principle sponsor, CSJ Specialist Canine Feeds, for its continued support.
- The Kennel Club is pleased to announce that all the Olympia Quarter-Finals and Semi-Finals will be held again at the International Agility Festival.
- All plans are progressing well. Sam Johnson created a map to scale for us last year. This layout will be used for this year.
- "First Contact" is the equipment suppliers for all rings.
- Last year we hired cadets to help on the rings. This has been agreed for this year.
- Contractors have been contacted to provide quotes. The contractors will predominantly remain the same, unless there has been a large increase in their costs.
- Camping will be limited to 700 units, including judges and officials. This year we are allocating scribe camping spaces to judges. Last year we found that we were able to allocate some extra spaces to those on the waiting list. Hopefully this will be able to be done again. However, this might result in them being told that they might be camped further away.
- Over 80 judges have been invited to judge at the festival, still awaiting a few responses, more judges will be invited if needed.
- Two International judges have been confirmed, and have had permission to judge: Luis Narciso from Portugal, and Ernst Schauwecker from Germany.
- Trade Stand cost is being increased by 5%. The number of trade stand pitches will remain the same.