

hunted free if they hold part two of a Working Permit issued by the Association of Bloodhound Breeders or the Bloodhound Club to certify they are steady with farm stock. Hounds are required to have passed a stock test in the UK before being hunted off leash and are ineligible to compete in a Senior Stake until successfully stock tested.

KENNEL CLUB BLOODHOUND WORKING TRIAL CERTIFICATE

A Kennel Club Bloodhound Working Trial Certificate may be awarded to a Bloodhound winning a Senior Stake without assistance at a Championship Bloodhound Trial if it has clearly identified the runner to the satisfaction of the Judge or Judges. A hound will be considered to have made a satisfactory identification if it is seen to approach and clearly select the runner from a group of three people at the end of the line.

Judges may award a Certificate of Merit in all stakes to any hound not being placed which has given a good performance.

ENTRIES

Bloodhounds must be entered in the lowest stake for which they are eligible at the closing date for entries. With the exception of the Senior Stake a hound may also be nominated for entry in a higher stake.

NOMINATIONS

Bloodhounds may be nominated in the stake immediately above that for which they are entered, provided they have previously gained a second prize in the stake for which they are entered at the Trial. Hounds gaining a second prize in a Stake for which they are nominated shall become eligible by right to enter that Stake at future Trials. Nominations to compete in the Senior Stake are not permitted. Acceptance of nominations will be at the discretion of the Trial Secretary, and subject to hounds having competed in the stake for which they are entered at the Trial. Notification of whether a Nomination has been accepted will be notified to the competitor as soon as possible after the entry closing date. Accepted Nominations will be included in the draw for the running order, and in the printed catalogue.

CLASSIFICATION & DEFINITIONS OF STAKES

Novice Stake. The line shall be approximately 1 mile (1.6km) long and not less than ½ hour cold. For Bloodhounds holding an *Association of Bloodhound Breeders* or *Bloodhound Club* Working Permit at the close of entries. No hound that has won Novice or gained 1st or 2nd place in Junior, Intermediate or Senior Stake may enter.

Junior Stake. The line shall be approximately 2 miles (3.2km) long and not less than 1 hour cold. For Bloodhounds that have won a Novice Stake or 2nd place in Junior Stake at close of entries. No hound that has won Junior or gained 1st or 2nd place in Intermediate or Senior Stake may enter.

Intermediate Stake. The line shall be approximately 2½ miles (4.0km) long and not less than 1½ hours cold. For Bloodhounds that have won a Junior Stake or 2nd place in Intermediate Stake at close of entries. No hound that has won Intermediate or gained 1st or 2nd place in Senior Stake may enter.

Senior Stake. The line shall be approximately 3 miles (4.8km) long and not less than 2 hours cold. For Bloodhounds that have won an Intermediate Stake at close of entries. Bloodhounds are ineligible to compete in a Senior Stake until successfully stock tested.

THE BLOODHOUND CLUB

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SCHEDULE

OF CHAMPIONSHIP BLOODHOUND TRIAL **NOVICE JUNIOR INTERMEDIATE & SENIOR STAKES**

*to be held under Kennel Club
Rules and Regulations 1 and 1(D)*
at

NR CANTERBURY

Kent

Novice on Monday 20 Oct 2008 to be judged by
Mr Jim Jennings

Junior on Tuesday 21 Oct 2008 to be judged by
Ms Jackie Parker

Intermediate on Wednesday 22 Oct 2008 to be judged by
Mr Robin Franks

Senior on Thursday 23/Friday 24 Oct 2008 to be judged by
Steve Wain

GUARANTORS TO THE KENNEL CLUB

Chairman : Mr K Long: 80 Norton Road, Stotfold, Nr Hitchin, Herts SG5 4PG
Hon Sec. Miss F McKenzie: 3 Milton Leaze, Long Load, Langport, Somerset, TA10 9JJ
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Mrs D Dixon: Longacare, Church Fame, Collier Strret, Nr Marden, Kent TN12 9RT
Mr D K A Powell: Crosse Farm, Cheriton Bishop, EX6 6JD

Entries to close:
Monday 6th October 2008 (Postmark-1st Class Post)

Entries to be made to:
Mr M Page: 2 Mells Lane Farm, Chantry, Nr Frome BA11 3LW
Tel : 01373 836047. e-mail: martin@bloodhound.org.uk

Draw 7.30pm on 8 October 2008 at 3 Milton Leaze, Long Load, Langport,
Somerset, TA10 9JJ

Judging will commence at 9.00 am unless otherwise stated

Secretary, Bloodhound Club: Fiona McKenzie 3 Milton Leaze, Long Load, Langport,
Somerset, TA10 9JJ (01458 241080)

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR ALL STAKES

No modification will be made to this schedule except by permission of the General Committee of the Kennel Club, which will be followed by advertisement in the canine press wherever possible. These Bloodhound Trials are held under Kennel Club Regulations for Bloodhound Trials with such exceptions as the Bloodhound Club committee may decide, such exceptions having received the approval of the General Committee of the Kennel Club prior to the publication of this schedule.

REGISTRATION

Dogs entered at Kennel Club Licensed Working Trials must be registered at the Kennel Club in accordance with Kennel Club Regulations of Classification and Registration B.

FEES

All stakes are open to non-members, but entries and nominations must be accompanied by the appropriate fee and must be received by the closing date of entries. Should a nomination not be accepted, the nomination fee will be refunded. No fees will be refunded in the case of a withdrawal or for non-attendance by a competitor, unless the Stake Manager was given prior notice of a bitch found to be in season or a veterinary certificate is produced to declare the hound unfit for competition.

Entry Fees per hound per stake:

Bloodhound Club Members		£20.00
Non-Members		£25.00
Membership Subscription Rates are:	Joint	£15.00
[January to December incl]	Single	£10.00
Junior (under 18 Years old)		£5.00

PRIZES

There is no prize money on offer, but perpetual trophies (confined to members only) may be held by members and engraved at their own expense, provided that they are returned in time to be presented at the next Trial. All trophies are to remain in the United Kingdom.

ENTRY REFUSAL

The Bloodhound Club Committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.

LIABILITY

The Bloodhound Club Committee will not be responsible for any injury or compensation occasioned by or arising out of this Trial.

Owners of Bloodhounds at the trial will be liable for any damage they may do. Any hound chasing or injuring livestock may be refused entry or be required to hunt on a leash at any future trial, such a condition to be imposed at the discretion of the Bloodhound Club Committee.

ORDER OF RUNNING

The order of running shall be determined by a draw and the competitors notified accordingly by post of their reporting time prior to the day of the trial.

Competitors may exchange their lines by mutual agreement, provided that they notify the STAKE MANAGER in advance.

ELIGIBILITY

Hounds under the age of twelve months on the first day of the Trials are not eligible for entry. Hounds aged four calendar months and over are eligible to enter Not For Competition. Spayed bitches and castrated dogs may compete at the trial. Judges may not enter a hound which is recorded in their ownership or part ownership in a stake they are judging.

CIRCUMSTANTIAL CHANGES

Should circumstances so dictate, The Bloodhound Club, in consultation with the Judges, may alter arrangements as necessary. Such changes and the circumstances surrounding them must be reported to the Kennel Club. Should a judge be unable to fulfil his engagement, the Bloodhound Club Committee reserves the right to appoint a substitute. Replacement judges appointed in an emergency must have previous judging experience.

COMPETING

Only one person may handle a hound during a Trial; an owner having deputed authority to another must not interfere with the handling of that hound.

Punitive correction or harsh handling of the hound is forbidden.

No hound entered for competition and at the meeting may be withdrawn from competition without notice to the Stake Manager.

No competitor shall impugn the decision of the Judge or Judges.

DISQUALIFICATION FOR ABSENCE

The BLOODHOUND TRIAL SECRETARY shall announce the specific time at which hounds may be called. Each hound must be brought up at its proper time, and in its proper turn without delay. If occasion demands, the times and order of running may be changed at the discretion of the STAKE MANAGER, with the approval of the JUDGE, provided no hardship is thereby caused to any competitor. If absent when called, the hound shall be liable to be disqualified by the JUDGE.

MANAGEMENT

The management of each Stake shall be entrusted to a STAKE MANAGER, appointed by the Bloodhound Club Committee. The Stake Manager shall be responsible for ensuring that the Regulations are observed, but may not interfere with the Judge's decision, which shall be final. The Stake Manager shall be responsible for ensuring that the Kennel Club Rules & Regulations are observed. The Stake Manager shall decide upon any matter not related to judging, and not provided for in the Rules and Regulations and may call upon the Judge or Judges to assist in the decision, which will be final. The Stake Manager should be present throughout the Stake and must not enter or work a hound in the Stake. The Stake Manager and the Judges should assess the weather conditions and should they consider the weather unfit for holding the Trial the commencement may be postponed until such time as it is considered necessary for the Trial to be abandoned and the entry fees returned.

When a Judge is prevented from attending or finishing a meeting which has commenced, the Stake Manager shall decide what action is to be taken. The JUDGE shall decide upon the fairness of a line, and a new line shall only be provided at the sole discretion of the judge.

WORKING PERMITS

To compete at Kennel Club Licensed Trials a hound, resident in the UK, must hold an Association of Bloodhound Breeders or Bloodhound Club Working Permit. Hounds from countries nominated below must hold a Working Permit issued by their Bloodhound club and can compete in the UK stake equivalent to their qualification.

(Nominated countries are: Belgium, Denmark, Holland and Sweden).

Europe	Equivalent UK Class
Novice	Novice
Junior	Junior
Senior	Intermediate

STOCK TEST

Bloodhounds entered on a restricted permit must be hunted on a leash; they may only be