





RAMSEY DOG TRAINING CLUB

SCHEDULE OF OPEN OBEDIENCE SHOW

(held under Kennel Club Rules and Regulations G and licensed by the Kennel Club Limited)

Southern Agricultural Show Ground, Orrisdale Farm, Orrisdale Road, Ballasalla, Isle of Man, IM9 3AE

SATURDAY 26TH & SUNDAY 27TH JULY 2025

SHOW WILL OPEN AT: 09:30

JUDGING WILL COMMENCE AT: 10:00

PLEASE NOTE YOU MUST BE ON THE SHOWFIELD BEFORE 9AM

THE SHOW WILL CLOSE HALF AN HOUR AFTER ALL JUDGING HAS BEEN COMPLETED

The officers and committee members of the society / or the licensee holding the licence are deemed responsible for organising and conducting the show safely and in accordance with the rules and regulations of The Kennel Club and agree to abide by and adopt any decision of the Board or any authority to whom the Board may delegate its powers subject to the conditions of Regulation G40. In so doing those appointed as officers and committee members, or the licensee, accept that they are jointly and severally responsible for the organisation of the show and that this is a binding undertaking.

Chief Steward - Liz Craine

Entries Close – 20th June 2025 (postmark)

Eligibility – last qualifying date – 1st July 2025

Entries to: Miss V Horne, 3 Mount Morrison, Peel, Isle of Man, IM5 1PN

Tel: 07624 412481 Email: voirrey.horne@gmail.com

Entry Fees: £8.00 for the first class and £5.00 per dog per class thereafter

(Dogs may be entered in 2 or 3 classes per day)

NFC – free (full details to be included)

Please pay be BACS where possible too;

Name: SDAS Sort Code: 55-91-04 Account Number: 35138424

Ref: Surname & Dogs

VETERINARY SURGEON ON CALL – Raymond Cox

CLASSIFICATION

Saturday 26 th July 2025			
	CLASS	JUDGE	
1	ABC Qualifier	Elaine Wilson	
2	Beginners	Tracy McKinlay	
3	Novice	Jean Herron	
4	Class 'A'	Sue Biggerstaff	
5	Class 'B'	Tracy McKinlay	
6	Class 'C'	Elaine Wilson	

Sunday 27 th July 2025			
CLASS		JUDGE	
7	KCGCDTS Special Pre – Beginners Stakes Heat	Franny Herron	
8	Beginners	Helen Duggan	
9	Novice	Helen Munks	
10	Class 'A'	Jean Herron	
11	Class 'B'	Franny Herron	
12	Class 'C'	Helen Duggan	

Reserves: Reserve judges will be appointed as necessary.

Award of Merit Certificates: Pre-Beginners and Beginner competitors may claim an Award of Merit Certificate if they lose ten or fewer marks in their relevant classes by making application to the show secretary on the day.

RETENTION PRIZE 1st PLACE - ALL CLASSES

PRIZE CARDS AND ROSETTES TO 6TH PLACE - ALL CLASSES

No prize money is on offer at this show

Travel and Accommodation Details <u>www.visitiom.com</u>

I.o.M. Steam Packet <u>www.steam-packet.com</u>

RULES AND REGULATIONS

These rules and regulations are to be read in conjunction with The Kennel Club Obedience Show Regulations G under which this show is licensed. It is the responsibility of everyone entering this show to make themselves familiar with the Kennel Club G Regulations, available from The Kennel Club.

- 1. Dogs entered at Kennel Club licensed obedience shows must be registered at The Kennel Club in accordance with Kennel Club regulations for Classification and Registration B.
- 2. All dogs registered and resident outside the UK must be issued with a Kennel Club authority to compete number before entry to the show/event can be made. All overseas entries without an authority to compete number will be returned to the exhibitor/competitor.
- 3. Only dogs of 6 calendar months of age and over are eligible for competition at Kennel Club licensed obedience shows.
- 4. A dog must not compete in the same class more than once, including special classes.
- 5. Organisers of open obedience shows may set a capping level on the entries to be accepted in any standard or special class, and may decline entries received after the capping level has been reached. State if specific classes are to be capped and the capping limit. The capping level must be set at a minimum of 35 entries received. There is no maximum level at which a cap may be set.
- 6. Not for competition entries will be accepted for dogs aged 4 calendar months and over. Dogs must be Kennel Club registered with their full details recorded on the entry form.
- 7. Running orders will be published on line www.obedienceuk.net unless a competitor has clearly stated they wish to receive their running orders by post
- 8. The Committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
- 9. In estimating the number of awards won, all wins up to and including 25 days before the start of the competition i.e (1st July 2025) 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 class at a particular show, after the entry for that show has been sent, it is the competitor's responsibility to notify the show secretary or the show processor at least 14 days before the date of the show. The dog should then be moved into the appropriate class(es). The dog must be moved into the corresponding number of classes as were entered at the lower class. If there are fewer or no classes available for the next class the competitor should be offered a refund of the relevant entry fees.
- 10. In the event that the show is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, the club will refund fees, less reasonably incurred expenses. The society will refund fees within 3 months of the show date to all those who had entered and requested a refund within 1 month of the show date.
- 11. In classes without a full running order dogs will be received until one hour after the commencement of judging 09:30 after which no dogs may be received except under unforeseen and exceptional circumstances and by special permission of the show management.
- 12. For the duration of the show all dogs, including those in the exercise area, must be on a lead except when competing or practising prior to competition.
- 13. The mating of bitches within the precincts of the competition is forbidden.
- 14. The dog should be led into the ring for judging with a smooth collar or, half-check collar, with lead attached (unless otherwise directed) and should be at the handler's side.
- 15. <u>Animals allowed in Event</u>
 - 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 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 dog show, with the proviso that those in charge of the dog sign a declaration confirming the dog is free from disease and that the dog will be kept under proper control at all times.
- 16. Following discussion between the chief steward and 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. 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.

The circumstances of such a removal shall be recorded in the show Incident Book and submitted to The Kennel Club.

- 17. Dogs will be disqualified if proved to have been handled in the class by the scheduled judge's spouse or immediate family, or resident at the same address as the scheduled judge.
- 18. No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of a dog at any time within the boundaries of the show.
- 19. No competitor shall impugn the decision of the judge or judges.
- 20. Should a judge be unable to fulfil the appointment to judge the committee reserves the right to appoint another judge.
- 21. Should circumstances so dictate the Society, in consultation with the judges, may alter arrangements as necessary. Such changes and the circumstances surrounding them will be reported to The Kennel Club.
- 22. **DOGS IN VEHICLES ON HOT DAYS**-Your dog is vulnerable and **at risk** if left in a vehicle in high temperatures and even on days considered as slightly warm. Please take care of your dog.-If your dog is found to be at risk forcible entry to your vehicle may be necessary without liability for any damage caused.
- 23. Welfare of Dogs
 - A competitor whose dog is entered at a Kennel Club licensed event should take all reasonable steps to ensure the needs of their dog(s) are met and should 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, is not permitted at any obedience show licensed by The Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue and within the precincts of the show.
- 24. Food and/or toys shall not be carried or given to a dog under test except in introductory class where silent toy and food rewards may be used between and after exercises and in a special class if specified in the class definition. Competitors must not distract other dogs when rewarding their dog with food, toy or play. (Refer to Obedience Code of Conduct)

DOGS IN VEHICLES ON HOT DAYS

Your dog is vulnerable and at risk during hot weather and The Kennel Club offers the following guidance to help guide you through the do's and don'ts of travelling to and whilst at Kennel Club licensed events.

- When travelling to a show please take a moment to consider whether the route to the show is on a busy holiday route, and leave earlier to avoid increased time in traffic jams.
- Ensure your dog is not sitting in full sunlight. There should be plenty of free flowing air around the dog.
- Keep the dog in the shade take your own shade, for example a large umbrella, and always have plenty of water available to drink, so your dog stays well hydrated.

Remember, if you feel hot your dog is very likely to feel much hotter and dehydrated, and this could lead to dire results. Please look after your dog's welfare.

WARNING: IF YOUR DOG IS FOUND TO BE AT RISK FORCIBLE ENTRY TO YOUR VEHICLE MAY BE NECESSARY WITHOUT LIABILITY FOR ANY DAMAGE CAUSED.

DEFINITIONS OF CLASSES

- 1. In the following Definitions of Classes First Prize wins in limited show obedience classes and open shows confined to one breed do not count for entry in open and championship show obedience classes but do count for eligibility at limited obedience shows or open shows confined to one breed.
- 2. A dog must be entered in the lowest scheduled class for which it is eligible and may also be entered in another class if desired plus one additional class at the society's discretion. Exemptions from this regulation are:- A dog entered in a Good Citizen Dog Scheme Special Pre-Beginner Obedience Stakes Class or

A dog entered into a Young Kennel Club (YKC) obedience class which may also be entered in a maximum of two other scheduled classes (including YKC classes) for which it is eligible or

A dog only entered in a special class (or classes) provided such a class (or classes) are defined in the schedule. Such entries must be made in line with the show's closing date for entries.

3. Societies may schedule classes other than those defined below. The eligibility for "special" classes must be defined by the society and included in the schedule. The word "special" must be included in the title of the class.

KCGCDS Special Pre-Beginners' Stakes To compete in The Kennel Club Good Citizen Dog Training Scheme (KCGCDTS) Special Pre-Beginner Obedience Stakes, a handler or dog must not have won two first prizes in either beginners or pre-beginners or gained a third or above in any obedience class introductory excepted). Dogs which qualified out of pre-beginners prior to 1 January 2020 will not be eligible. Exhibits must have obtained a minimum of their Kennel Club Good Citizen Dog Training Scheme Bronze Award prior to the closing date of the show

BEGINNERS

To compete in Beginners a handler or dog must not have won a total of two or more first places in Beginners class or one first place in any other Obedience class (Introductory class and Pre-Beginners excepted) and have not elected to progress on points from Beginners; plus, the handler must not have won a first place in any other Obedience class (Introductory class, Pre-Beginners and Beginners excepted) and have not elected to progress on points from Novice. Handlers that have previously entered Novice as their lowest available class before 31 December 2024 may elect to continue to treat Novice as their lowest available class. Once they have elected to do so they will not be eligible for Beginners thereafter..

For dogs which have not won two 1st prizes in obedience classes. (Introductory class, pre-beginners and beginners excepted) and where the handler has not elected to progress on points from Novice.

CLASS A

NOVICE

For dogs which have not won three 1st prizes in class A, B and open class C in total **and** where the handler has not elected to progress on points from Class A.

CLASS B

For dogs which have not won three 1st prizes in class B and open class C in total and

where the handler has not elected to progress on points from Class B.

OPEN CLASS C

At open and premier shows, and in the open C classes held at championship shows,

open to all dogs.

Progression on wins. Progression from each class will be determined by the eligibility for the class as referenced in Regulations G(A). To count for progression wins must be gained in standard classes at Kennel Club licensed Open, Premier or Championship Obedience shows. A first place will count towards progression.

Progression on points. At the handler's discretion a dog may progress up to the next class, up to and including into Open Class C by gaining points at each level, using the Obedience Excellent scale of points scheme as follows:

- Ten points for first prize
- Four points for second prize
- Two points for third prize
- One point for fourth prize

If this method of progression is selected, the handler must ensure the show secretary/chief steward signs the dog's Obedience Record Book at the first show entered in the higher class. There is no time limit on this progression, however, once a dog or handler has progressed, they cannot return to the class that they had progressed from. All wins and places to fourth since 1 January 2019 can be included when calculating points. Points are specific to a particular class and cannot be used against a lower or higher class.

Points required for progression on points are as follows:

- 1. 20 points required for progression from Pre-Beginners.
- 2. 20 points required for progression from Beginners.
- 3. 20 points required for progression from Novice.
- 4. 30 points required for progression from Class A.
- 5. 30 points required for progression from Class B.

Anyone whose dog is entered at a Kennel Club licensed event should take all reasonable steps to ensure that the needs of their dog(s) are met and should not put a dogs health and welfare at risk by any action, default, omission or otherwise. Breach of Kennel Club regulations in this respect may be referred to the Board for disciplinary action under Kennel Club rules and regulations.

NB: In the event of any cheque or money order not being honoured when first presented to the Bank, the exhibitor shall be held liable for any Bank charges or fees incurred. If the entry fee and such charges are not paid immediately upon request the exhibitor will be reported to the Kennel Club and will be dealt with by the Kennel Club Committee. The Club will not be responsible for damage or loss arising from any cause whatsoever.

<u>Right to Refuse Entries:</u> Exhibitors/Competitors are reminded that show societies have the right under Kennel Club regulations to refuse any entry.



SPECIAL ABC, GUIDANCE NOTES. General information for competitors on ABC classes.

- Highest score wins points are gained rather than lost.
- Rounds are judged on both accuracy and teamwork/motivation
- You are allowed to reward in the ring between exercises some judges may allow you break off in heelwork to reward.
- A corner of the ring is normally set aside as a reward area you may have to leave the ring and reward outside if using food.
- Rewards can be carried on the person out of sight during the exercises.
- Rounds consist of heelwork and then a choice of 2 exercises usually from sendaway, retrieve, recall but sometimes DC and 'baby scents' are included. There are often no formal set ups/finishes in the exercises (at the judges' discretion). There are no stays. You can choose to work whatever level/exercise you wish regardless of the KC class you are in. e.g. Pre beginners can do the sendaway. Heelwork rounds generally consist of circles with straight stretches with changes of pace/positions on move incorporated into the higher-class round. Handlers working at a lower class are allowed to speak to their dogs if attempting a higher round. Some heelwork rounds may be 'you have 2 minutes to show me what you can do' make sure you have a plan beforehand!
- Handlers from a lower class doing a sendaway are generally allowed to put a mat/toy at the back marker. Retrieve can be a choice of dumb bell or judges' article and may have an optional small jump.
- You may get asked to 'show me what you do to warm your dog up' e.g. tricks, leg weaves etc
- Judges will put their rounds with guidelines on the ring table before the class starts try to look at what is available beforehand so you have a plan.

Additional information for judges

- Please no dressing up, pegging out washing on lines or obstacle courses. Whilst a few props may add to a round please make sure there is sufficient room to allow teams to work without dogs being spooked or handlers tripping over.
- Teams working a higher exercise may be awarded bonus marks for trying but please ensure the number of bonus points does not 'skew' the results. 5 bonus points for each level should be sufficient.
- Remember there will be handlers from pre beginner to C try to make sure that your round is 'accessible' for all, the set exercises should not be compulsory not all pre beginners have a retrieve The first 6 in each heat qualify for the final. All heats held before the final count.





Kennel Club Good Citizen Dog Scheme Pre-Beginner Stakes Heat



Ramsey Dog Club Heat held at the Southern Agricultural Show on Sunday 27th July 2025

What is it?

There are a number of heats held at Obedience shows throughout the year with the winners of each heat qualifying to compete in the final at Crufts 2026.

The exercises featured in this special class are a combination of the bronze award and the pre-beginner obedience class. This test will serve as an introduction to basic competitive obedience and handlers will be encouraged to motivate their dog throughout the test.

Can I Enter?

A handler or dog must not have won two first prizes in either pre-beginners or beginners or gained a third place or above in any other obedience class (introductory class excepted).

Exhibitors must have obtained a minimum of their Kennel Club Good Citizen Dog Training scheme Bronze Award prior to the closing date of the show. For Ramsey this is Friday 20th June 2025.

All dogs entering a Kennel Club Licensed event must be registered either on the Breed or <u>Activity Dog Register</u> prior to the closing date of the show.

Dogs must be at least 6 months old to take part at Kennel Club Licensed Obedience shows.

How do I enter?

You must enter the heat by filling out an entry form for our open show. The closing date for this <u>is</u>

20th June 2025

The Test

Play With or Motivate Your dog

Heel on lead

Examination of the Dog (handler to show judge)

Recall With Finish

Control at Gate Exercise