

The Ulster Cocker Spaniel Club

SCHEDULE of UNBENCHD 24 CLASS SINGLE BREED CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

(Held under Kennel Club Limited Rules and Regulations)

SATURDAY 27th SEPTEMBER 2025

**EIKON EXHIBITION CENTRE BALMORAL PARK
HALFTOWN ROAD, LISBURN BT27 5RF**

Judge
Mrs ELAINE THOMAS
(CLARAMAND)

SHOW OPENS 7.00 am

**JUDGING TO COMMENCE AFTER COMPLETION
OF BELFAST DOG SHOW SOCIETY SPANIEL (COCKER)**

POSTAL ENTRIES CLOSE: 9th SEPTEMBER 2025 (Postmark)

To MRS MARY HUGHES

c/o 42 DRUMANESS ROAD BALLYNAHINCH BT24 8LT

Tel No 02897 562546 email thornbrook@talk21.com

ONLINE ENTRIES CLOSE : 17th SEPTEMBER 2025 (Midnight)

Enter Online at: <https://www.onlineshowentry.com/>

JURISDICTION & RESPONSIBILITIES The Officers and Committee members of the society 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 F17. In so doing those appointed as officers and committee members accept that they are jointly and severally responsible for the organisation of the show and that this is a binding undertaking (vide Kennel Club General Show Regulations F4 and 5).

All Judges at this show agree to abide by the following statement:

"In assessing dogs, judges must penalise any features or exaggerations which they consider would be detrimental to the soundness, health and well being of the dog".

A dog which had its tail docked on or after 1st January 2013 cannot be shown at events where the exhibitor pays a fee or members of the public pay an admittance fee

Hon Veterinary Surgeon
Hon Veterinary Surgeon (BDSS In attendance) Ian Finney MRCVS

OFFICERS & COMMITTEE

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Mrs D Lavery, Mr S McCausland
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Cup Steward Mrs F Robinson

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THE CLUB WOULD LIKE TO THANK



***FOR THEIR GENEROUS SPONSORSHIP OF OUR
SHOW***

CLASSIFICATION

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Kennel Club Challenge Certificate Dog Kennel Club Challenge Certificate Bitch

DOGS

- 1 BABY PUPPY
- 2 MINOR PUPPY
- 3 PUPPY
- 4 JUNIOR
- 5 YEARLING
- 6 NOVICE
- 7 GRADUATE
- 8 POST GRADUATE
- 9 LIMIT
- 10 OPEN
- 11 CHAMPION
- 12 VETERAN

BITCHES

- 13 BABY PUPPY
- 14 MINOR PUPPY
- 15 PUPPY
- 16 JUNIOR
- 17 YEARLING
- 18 NOVICE
- 19 GRADUATE
- 20 POST GRADUATE
- 21 LIMIT
- 22 OPEN
- 23 CHAMPION
- 24 VETERAN

BEST VETERAN IN SHOW WILL BE SELECTED
FROM THE WINNERS OF CLASSES 12 & 24

FREE CATALOGUE TO ALL EXHIBITORS

FEES

BABY PUPPY CLASSES 1 & 13 ONLY £5.00 PER DOG

MEMBERS £15.00 FIRST ENTRY PER DOG
£3.00 EACH SUBSEQUENT ENTRY SAME DOG

NON MEMBERS £20 FIRST ENTRY PER DOG
£3.00 EACH SUBSEQUENT ENTRY SAME DOG

NOT FOR COMPETITION £1.00
(MUST BE OVER 4 CALENDAR MONTHS OF AGE)

MEMBERSHIP £5.00 SINGLE £7.50 JOINT

CAR PARK PAYABLE ON THE DAY TO BELFAST DOG SHOW SOCIETY



REMINDER PLEASE KEEP THIS VENUE
CLEAN

PLEASE BE RESPONSIBLE

CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG

FERRY TRAVEL DISCOUNTS FOR BELFAST DSS GO TO

<https://www.stenaline.co.uk/dogshow>

DEFINITION OF CLASSES

In the following definitions, a Challenge Certificate includes any show award that counts towards the title of Champion under the Rules of any governing body recognised by The Kennel Club. Wins at Championship Shows in breed classes where Challenge Certificates are not on offer shall be counted as wins at Open Shows. In the case of a dog owned in partnership and entered in Members' classes or competing for Members' Specials each partner must at the time of entry be a member of the Society. In estimating the number of awards won, all wins up to and including the seventh day before the first closing date shall be counted when entering for any class

i.e 3rd SEPTEMBER 2024

Wins in Variety classes do not count for entry in Breed classes but when entering in Variety classes, wins in both Breed and Variety classes must be counted. A first prize does not include a Special Prize of whatever value.

If an exhibitor reports before the judging of a class or classes that a dog has been entered which is ineligible, the exhibitor may choose one of the following options:

- (1) Withdrawal The dog may be withdrawn from competition subject to the conditions of Regulation 19.
- (2) Transfer a) If a dog is ineligible for a class or classes as regards its colour, sex, weight or height the Show Secretary shall transfer it to the equivalent class or classes for the correct colour, sex, weight or height and, in the event of there being no equivalent class, Minor Puppy and Puppy excepted to the Open class for the correct colour, sex, weight or height.
- b) For an exhibit entered incorrectly in a Minor Puppy Class, Puppy Class or Junior Class, which is over age but under twelve calendar months of age, eighteen calendar months of age or twenty-four calendar months of age respectively, the Show Secretary shall transfer the exhibit to the Puppy Class, Junior Class or Yearling Class respectively for the correct colour, sex, weight or height and in the event of there being no Puppy, Junior or Yearling Class to the Open class for the correct colour, sex, weight or height.
- c) For any reason other than the above, the Show Secretary shall transfer it to the Open class for the correct colour, sex, weight or height.
- d) If an exhibit arrives late and misses a class, even if it is the only class in which the dog is entered, the dog may not be transferred to any other class

BABY PUPPY: A baby puppy is a dog of four and less than six calendar months of age on the first day of the show

MINOR PUPPY: For dogs of six and not exceeding nine calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

PUPPY: For dogs of six and not exceeding twelve calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

JUNIOR: For dogs of six and not exceeding eighteen calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

YEARLING: For dogs of twelve and not exceeding twenty-four calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

NOVICE: For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or three or more First Prizes at Open and Championship Shows (Minor Puppy, Special Minor Puppy, Puppy and Special Puppy classes excepted, whether restricted or not).

GRADUATE: For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or four or more First Prizes at Championship Shows in Graduate, Post Graduate, Minor Limit, Mid Limit, Limit and Open classes, whether restricted or not where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

POST GRADUATE: For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC /Green Star or five or more First Prizes at Championship Shows in Post Graduate, Minor Limit, Mid Limit, Limit and Open classes, whether restricted or not where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

LIMIT: For dogs which have not become show Champions under the Kennel Club Regulations or under the rules of any governing body recognised by the Kennel Club, or won 3 or more CC/CACIB/CAC/Green Stars or won 7 or more First Prizes in all at Championship Shows in Limit or Open Classes confined to the Breed, whether restricted or not at Shows where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

OPEN: For all dogs of the breed for which the class is provided and eligible for entry at the Show.

CHAMPION: For dogs which have been confirmed a Champion or Show Champion under Kennel Club Regulations or under the rules of any governing body recognised by The Kennel Club.

VETERAN: For dogs of not less than seven years of age on the first day of the Show

ADVISORY NOTICE NOT FOR COMPETITION: Societies may at their discretion, accept Not for Competition entries. Societies may accept such entries from breeds of dog not included within the title of the Society and at Shows held over more than one day, such entries may be accepted on any day from any breed.

SHOW RULES & REGULATIONS

- 1` The Show will open at 7:00 am.
- 2 Dogs will be received at any time but it is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure that dogs are available for judging when required.
- 3 Judging will commence after completion of the Cocker Spaniel Class held by BDSS
- 4 Exhibits may be removed from the Show after their judging has been completed. The
- 5 Entry Fees *Members* 1st Entry £15.00 All Subsequent Entries with the same dog £3.00 per class *Non Members* 1st Entry £20.00 All Subsequent Entries with the same dog £3.00 per class Not For Competition £1.00 Baby Puppy £5.00 per class
Entries may be made online at www.onlineshowentry.com
- 6 There is no prize money on offer at this Show.
- 7 The Committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
- 8 Puppies under four calendar months of age on the first day of the Show are not eligible for exhibition.
- 9 The mating of bitches within the precincts of the Show is forbidden.
- 10 Where a Best Puppy in Show competition is scheduled the Best Puppy in Show is a puppy which has competed and is unbeaten by any other puppy exhibited at the same show. A puppy is a dog of six and not exceeding twelve calendar months of age on the first day of the Show. The selection of Best in Show may follow the selection of Best Puppy in Show and Best Veteran in Show (if scheduled) respectively. Where the Best in Show is a puppy it may, at the discretion of the judge, be awarded Best Puppy in Show. Where the Reserve Best in Show is a puppy which has only been beaten by an adult dog it may, at the discretion of the judge, be Best Puppy in Show.
A Baby Puppy is a dog of four and less than six calendar months of age on the first day of the show. Baby Puppy classes may be scheduled at any breed club show. Any Variety Baby Puppy classes may be scheduled at any breed club show. Best Baby Puppy in Breed may be declared in each breed from the dogs entered in the Baby Puppy breed classes. *There must be no progression to further competition*
- 11 Best Veteran in Show: will be selected from the winners of classes 12 & 24
- 12 Best in Show: Best in Show must be selected from the exhibits declared Best of Sex. If a Reserve Best in Show is to be selected, the eligible dogs are those declared Best Opposite Sex and Reserve Best of Sex to the exhibit declared Best in Show.
- 13 Exhibits will not be admitted to Best in Show competition after a period of ten minutes has elapsed since the announcement that exhibits are required for judging, unless they have been unavoidably delayed by previous judging not being completed on time, and then only with the special permission of the Show Management.
- 14 Exhibitors must not pick up dogs by their tails and leads when lifting them nor handle a dog in a manner which causes its feet not to touch the ground when on the move. This is not acceptable. Exhibitors should note that such practice would constitute harsh handling and reports of such practice will be referred to the Committee under Kennel Club Show Regulation F11.
- 15 All exhibitors must be familiar with Kennel Club Regulation F (Annex B) - Regulations for the Preparation of Dogs for Exhibition.
- 16 All dogs resident outside of 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.
- 17 **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 travelling to and whilst at K.C. 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. * If your vehicle is not air-conditioned seriously consider whether travelling to the show is a good idea at all.* The vehicle should be as fully ventilated as possible, and plenty of stops should be taken, with lots of water available to drink. * Ensure your dog is not sitting in full sunlight. There should be plenty of free flowing air around your dog. * When at the Show, never leave your dog in the vehicle. * 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. * Avoid your dog taking part in unnecessary exertion, or from standing in exposed sunlight for extended lengths of time. Remember, if you feel hot your dog is 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.

18 Anyone 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 put a dog's 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 the Kennel Club Rules and Regulations. The use of pinch collars, electronic shock collars, or prong collars, is not permitted at any show licensed by the Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue or within the precincts of the show.

19 Not for Competition entries will be accepted. Details of each dog so entered must be recorded on the entry form and must be Kennel Club registered.

20 No modifications will be made to this Schedule except by permission of the Board of the Kennel Club, which will be followed by advertisement in the Canine Press wherever possible.

21 An exhibitor or competitor should ensure that contact details for any handler are available and must be provided upon request in any investigation of a breach of this regulation by such handler.

22 The Committee reserves the right to appoint a substitute judge if he/she is prevented from fulfilling the engagement.

23 No animal other than those entered for exhibition or 'Not for Competition' will be allowed within the precincts of the Show.

24 All dogs must be registered or transferred at the Kennel Club before the Show.

25 The Committee will be most anxious for the care and safety of all dogs entered for exhibition and for any property entrusted to them, but it must be clearly understood by exhibitors and other persons that the Committee will not be responsible for the entire or partial loss, or detention of or damage to any dog or person from any cause whatsoever, nor for any act or omission of themselves, their officers, Servants, agents or others, and it is on this understanding only that entries are received.

26 Passes will NOT be sent.

27 The Officers and Committee can accept no responsibility for products advertised or sold by stand holders at the Show and remind exhibitors that grooming products on sale may not meet the requirements of the Regulation for the Preparation of Dogs for Exhibition F(B).

28 Any owner, competitor, handler or other person in charge of a dog is required to remove as soon as possible any fouling caused by their dog(s) at any Kennel Club licensed show within the licensed venue and within the environs of that event including car and caravan parks and approaches.

29 The owner, exhibitor, handler or other person in charge of a dog at Kennel Club licensed events must at all times ensure that the dog is kept under proper control whilst at the licensed venue, including its environs, car and caravan parks and approaches. This Regulation applies before (at any time during the set up period at the venue), during the event and afterwards (at any time during the breakdown of the event).

30 A dog may be disqualified by the Board from any award, whether an objection has been lodged or not, if proved amongst other things to have been: a) registered or recorded as having been bred by the scheduled Judge, this shall not apply to a Judge appointed in an emergency; b) exhibited without payment of appropriate entry fees.

31 Every exhibitor shall ensure that whilst the dog is being exhibited, its handler shall display the correct ring number.

DOGS IN CARS

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.

EXTRACT FROM BELFAST DOG SHOW SOCIETY SCHEDULE

IMPORTANT — PLEASE READ

**PRE-PAID CAR PARKING PASSES
MUST BE CLEARLY DISPLAYED ON ALL VEHICLES**

CAR PARKING

£7.50 per vehicle per day (£10.00 on the day)

Disabled Parking is NOT free of charge,
so please include the appropriate parking fee

IMPORTANT: Separate vehicle passes will be issued for each day of the show, therefore if you are exhibiting on both days you **MUST** purchase a vehicle pass for each day. All vehicle passes will be checked after the show. Anyone found to have submitted duplicate passes may be refused entry to our show in future years.

DISCLAIMER: The Management of the Belfast Dog Show Society will not accept responsibility for damage to parked vehicles or articles, etc., removed with or without the owner's consent. Thieves are active everywhere. It is in your own interests to take every precaution to ensure that you do not become their victim.

PLEASE NOTE

Exhibitors Passes will not be sent. If an acknowledgement of receipt of entry is required, please enclose a stamped addressed envelope with entry.

Please keep your dog(s) on a lead at all times.

Please keep this venue clean & tidy of all litter.

You are responsible to clean up any fouling by your dog Bins are provided.

WELFARE OF DOGS

Anyone whose dog is entered at a Kennel Club licenced event should take all reasonable steps to ensure the needs of their dog(s) are met and should not put a dog's 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 General Committee for disciplinary action under Kennel Club Rules and Regulations

Right to Refuse Entries: Exhibitors/Competitors are reminded that show societies have the right under Kennel Club Regulation to refuse any entry may be referred to the General Committee for disciplinary action under Kennel Club Rules and Regulations.

ADDRESS WITHHELD FOR PUBLICATION

1. Tick the box at the bottom of the entry form near your name and address on the front of the entry form if you **DO NOT** want your address to appear in the catalogue. Your name will still be printed above your dog's record as normal.

2. Your address is still needed for the sending out of schedules, so you still need to enter your address in the normal way

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REGULATIONS FOR THE PREPARATION OF DOGS FOR EXHIBITION F (B)

1. These Regulations must be observed when a dog is prepared for exhibition and/or exhibited at any Kennel Club Licensed event. Objections may be referred to the Board for disciplinary action under these Show Regulations and/or for disciplinary action under Kennel Club Rule A11. (a) A dog found to have been exhibited in breach of these Regulations will automatically be disqualified from exhibition at the show and from any award gained thereat. (b) Unless the exhibitor provides a satisfactory explanation for the dog being exhibited in breach of these Regulations then he/she may be subject to further penalties of either a fine or as listed under Rule A11.
2. (a) No substance which alters the natural colour, texture or body of the coat may be present in the dog's coat for any purpose at any time during the Show. No substance which alters the natural colour of any external part of the dog may be present on the dog for any purpose at any time during the Show. (b) Any other substance (other than water) which may be used in the preparation of a dog for exhibition must not be allowed to remain in the coat or on any other part of the dog at the time of exhibition.
3. No act or operation which alters the natural conformation of a dog or any part thereof may be performed except:- (a) Operations certified to the satisfaction of the Board. (b) The removal of dew claws of any breed. (c) Operations to prevent breeding provided that such operations are notified to the Kennel Club before neutered dogs are shown. Nor must anything be done calculated to in the opinion of the Board to deceive.
4. The Board without previous notice may order an examination of any dog or dogs at any Show. Any examination thus ordered will be made by a person having executive authority who shall have a written directive from the Kennel Club in their possession. Samples may be taken for further examination and analysis.
5. An individual has the right to lodge an objection to a dog only if he/she is the owner or handler of a dog competing in the same breed or class. An objection may, however, be lodged by an official of the Show or by anyone so deputed by the Kennel Club. It will be the responsibility of the individual who lodges the objection or the official (as appropriate), to substantiate the grounds for the objection. The Kennel Club will substantiate the grounds for an objection made on its behalf. 6. Any objection by an individual related to an infringement of these Regulations must be made in writing to the Show Secretary at his/her office before the close of the Show and the individual must produce evidence of identity at the time of lodging the complaint.

COMMERCIAL PRODUCTS ON SALE FOR USE IN THE PREPARATION OF DOGS FOR EXHIBITION.

The Kennel Club is concerned that an individual who purchases a product from a Trade Stand at a Kennel Club Licensed Show might assume, perhaps incorrectly, that the use of the product would not contravene Kennel Club Regulation f.

The Officers & Committee of the Club do not accept responsibility for any product advertised or sold by Stall Holders and or Trade Stands at this Show. Exhibitors are reminded that products on sale by Trade Stands for the preparation & grooming of dogs may not meet the requirements for the Regulations for the Preparation of Dogs for Exhibition.