

# SPRING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2019

## SIGHTHOUND LURE COURSING COMPETITION



EILING FARM, THATCHAM, BERKSHIRE, RG18 0UD

7th APRIL 2019

Competition start time will be confirmed 30<sup>th</sup> March, dependant on entries. Competition will not start before 9 am.

**Judges:** Sue Meecham (UK) /Masha Shaverneva (UK)\*  
& Orsolya Bali (Hun)

**Lure Operation:** by Sporting Whippet Club

**Lure Coursing Director:** Sharon Dalglish

Early entry exclusively to the members of UK Sighthound Sport

Entries open to all 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Closing date for entries Friday 29<sup>th</sup> March 2019 (postmark)/  
Midnight Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> March email.\*\*

**ENTRIES:** POST: cheque payable to *UK SIGHTHOUND SPORT*, to Sarah Meadham, c/o The Book Ferret, 34 High Street, Arundel, West Sussex, BN18 9AB or EMAIL: entry form to [contact@uksighthoundsport.com](mailto:contact@uksighthoundsport.com) / Bank transfer sort code 30-96-26 account 31362968 OR

Paypal friends and family [tracy@uksighthoundsport.com](mailto:tracy@uksighthoundsport.com)

\*UK judges shall not judge breeds in which they have dogs competing.  
Distribution of breeds between the judges will be confirmed 30<sup>th</sup> March.

\*\*unless entry caps reached sooner

**\* ENTRY FEES \***

**All classes:** Members £8.00 first dog, £6 each extra dog

Non-Members £15.00 first dog, £12.50 each extra dog

**Not for Competition:** £1.00 (*over 4 calendar months of age*)

**Printed Catalogues:** £2.00 pre-paid with entries (£3.00 on the day)

**E-Catalogues:** free via email

**Adverts:** £5.00 Full page; £3.50 Half page

**Rosette Fund Donation:** Donations gratefully received and acknowledged in the catalogue.

*Please make cheques payable to UK Sighthound Sport or email: [contact@uksighthoundsport.com](mailto:contact@uksighthoundsport.com)*

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Alternatively Paypal friends and family to:

[tracy@uksighthoundsport.com](mailto:tracy@uksighthoundsport.com). Ensure you add your name in the note field.

**LURE OPERATION:** by Sporting Whippet Club, over ground, drag lure pulled around pulleys.

**TERRAIN:** Grass farm field

**COURSE LENGTH:** Approx 800m all breeds.

UK SIGHTHOUND SPORT

Chairman: Mrs S Dalgleish

Hon. Secretary: Miss S Meadham

Hon. Treasurer: Mrs G McLatchie

Registrar: Ms T Chamberlain

## **CLASSES**

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|--|---------------------------------------|
| 1 Afghan Hound Bitch                     | 20 Italian Greyhound Dog (STANDARD)   |
| 2 Afghan Hound Dog                       | 21 Italian Greyhound Bitch (SPRINTER) |
| 3 Saluki Bitch                           | 22 Italian Greyhound Dog (SPRINTER)   |
| 4 Saluki Dog                             | 23 Azawakh Bitch Dog                  |
| 5 Borzoi Bitch                           | 24 Azawakh Dog                        |
| 6 Borzoi Dog                             | 25 Sloughi Bitch                      |
| 7 Deerhound Bitch                        | 26 Sloughi Dog                        |
| 8 Deerhound Dog                          | 27 Chart Polski Bitch                 |
| 9 Irish Wolfhound Bitch                  | 28 Chart Polski Dog                   |
| 10 Irish Wolfhound Dog                   | 29 Spanish Galgo Bitch                |
| 11 Greyhounds Bitch                      | 30 Spanish Galgo Dog                  |
| 12 Greyhounds Dog                        | 31 Pharaoh Hound Bitch                |
| 13 Whippet Bitch (STANDARD)              | 32 Pharaoh Hound Dog                  |
| 14 Whippet Dog (STANDARD)                | 33 Cirneco dell'Etna Bitch            |
| 15 Whippet Bitch (SPRINTER)              | 34 Cirneco dell'Etna Dog              |
| 16 Whippet Dog (SPRINTER)                | 35 Ibizan Hound Bitch                 |
| 17 Magyar Agar Bitch                     | 36 Ibizan Hound Dog                   |
| 18 Magyar Agar Dog                       | 37 Podenco Canario Bitch              |
| 19 Italian Greyhound Bitch<br>(STANDARD) | 38 Podenco Canario Dog                |
|  | 39 Not For Competition                |

### **PLEASE NOTE**

Entries will be capped at this competition at 30 per breed and 85 in total. For these purposes, 'Sprinters' are classified as separate breeds. Breed caps may be lifted 7 days before closing date, should the overall cap not be reached first. Any entries received after the cap has been reached will not be accepted.

If there are less than 6 dogs of one sex per breed, both sexes of that breed will compete together.

## **CLASS DEFINITIONS**

Minimum age: 15 months on the day of competition for all Whippets, Italian Greyhounds and Cirneco Dell'Etna, 18 months all other breeds.

Maximum age: Under 9 years on the day of competition for all classes.

WHIPPET BITCH (STANDARD): Maximum height at the withers 48cm.

WHIPPET BITCH (SPRINTER): Maximum height at the withers 52cm.

WHIPPET DOG (STANDARD) Maximum height at the withers 51cm

WHIPPET DOG (SPRINTER) Maximum height at the withers 56cm

ITALIAN GREYHOUND BITCH OR DOG (STANDARD): Maximum height at the withers 38cm.

ITALIAN GREYHOUND BITCH OR DOG (SPRINTER): Maximum height at the withers 41cm.

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

According to the proposed Regulations submitted to Kennel Club:

1. Dogs entered must be registered at the Kennel Club or else registration or transfer of registration must have been applied for.
2. All dogs resident outside the UK must be registered with a studbook recognised by the UK Kennel Club.
3. Entry Members £8.00 first dog, £6 each extra dog. Non-Members £15.00 first dog, £12.50 each extra dog.
4. Rosettes to fifth place. Prizes for all 1<sup>st</sup> place winners provided by Arden Grange.
5. A Lure Coursing Champion Certificate will be awarded to top scoring dogs/bitches in each breed provided that :
  - a. There are at least two dogs per breed at the start.
  - b. If there are more than six dogs of both sexes at the start, the Certificates will be awarded separately to dogs and bitches. If there are fewer than 6 of either sex all dog and bitch classes shall be amalgamated and only one set of certificates is awarded.
  - c. At least 75% of the maximum points is obtained.
6. Number of entries and number of Certificates.
  - a. If less than 2 dogs are participating at the start, then no Certificate shall be awarded in that class .
  - b. For classes with 2 – 6 participants, the Certificate shall be awarded to the top scoring dog.

- c. For classes with 7 – 19 participants, Certificates shall be awarded to the two top scoring dogs.
  - d. For classes with 20 or more participants, a further Certificate shall be awarded for each additional 10 dogs.
  - e. Standard and Sprinter classes shall be awarded separately.
7. The Committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
  8. Only dogs of above stated minimum (15 months small breeds/18 months large breeds) below maximum age of 9 on the day of the event are eligible for competition.
  9. There will be a capping level of 30 per breed and 85 total entries. For these purposes, 'Sprinters' are classified as separate breeds. Breed caps may be lifted 7 days before closing date, should the overall cap not be reached first.
  10. Not For Competition entries will be accepted for dogs aged four calendar months and over.
  11. No bitch in season is allowed to compete.
  12. The mating of bitches within the precincts of the competition is forbidden.
  13. No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of a dog at any time within the boundaries of the Competition.
  14. Should a judge be unable to fulfil the appointment to judge the Committee reserves the right to appoint another judge.
  15. No competitor shall impugn the decision of the judge or judges.
  16. Judges may not judge a dog which is recorded in their ownership or part ownership.
  17. Removal of dogs from Competition: Following discussion between the Competition management and/or a veterinary surgeon, a dog shall be prevented from competing and/or removed from the Field if it is:-
    - a. A bitch which is in season.
    - b. Suffering from any infectious diseases 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 competition Incident Book.
  18. Lure Coursing is a competitive and physically strenuous activity. It is the responsibility of the owner/handler to ensure their dog is 'fit for function'. By signing the entry form you confirm that to the best of your knowledge your dog is fit and able to take part in lure coursing on the day of the competition.

19. In the event that the competition is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances, the society will refund fees, less reasonably incurred expenses. Competitors will be refunded in the manner in which they had entered the competition, but in any event the society will refund fees within 3 months of the competition date to all those who had entered and requested a refund within 1 month of the date.
20. Should the judge deem a re-run is required, any result from the previous run must be discounted.
21. Separate entry forms must be completed by each owner and must be signed by the owner or his authorised agent in accordance with provisions specified thereon. Entry forms must be accompanied by the appropriate fees and supporting documentation.
22. Competition of Dogs Suffering from Contagious or Infectious Disease – No dogs suffering from infectious or contagious disease or having been exposed to such disease during the period of 21 days prior to the Competition may compete.
23. It is the competitor's responsibility to be available for their allocated place in the running order.
24. 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 General Committee. However, at the discretion of the sporting society, a dog brought to the competition by a spectator may be admitted into the precincts of the competition, 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.
25. Welfare of Dogs A competitor whose dog is entered at a lure coursing 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.

**\* RAFFLE \***

All contributions to the raffle will be gratefully received

### **DOG FOULING & LITTER**

Any owner, competitor, handler or other person in charge of a dog is required to remove as soon as possible and fouling caused by their dog(s). All litter is to be disposed in the bins provided.

### **PRIZES KINDLY PROVIDED BY:**



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### **DOGS IN VEHICLES ON HOT DAYS**

Your dog is vulnerable and at risk during hot weather. 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 standing in exposed sunlight for extended lengths of time.

## GENERAL INFORMATION

- **LICENCES:** Only dogs with a UK Sighthound Sport or FCI Licence will be permitted to enter.  
New UKSS licences must be applied for a minimum of 7 days before entries close. For more information contact UKSS registrar:  
[tracy@uksighthoundsport.com](mailto:tracy@uksighthoundsport.com)
- **DRAWING THE RUNS:** The pairing of the dogs and order of the runs for the first heat will be done by drawing (lottery style). The draw is final and will not be altered for any reason. For the second round, pairs are determined according to first round scores.
- **WAITING PADDOCK:** 3 runs in advance 1 run is in the field, 2 runs in the waiting paddock. For example: If run number 31 is in the field, the dogs from runs 32 and 33 must be present at the waiting paddock.
- **START:** The starter is standing behind the owners, he will give a non-verbal sign (touching of the shoulders) and calls "GO" as the starting signal!
- **EQUIPMENT:** Each competitor must ensure their dog is correctly muzzled and wearing correct red/white jackets without numbers or other marks, prior to entering the field. For advice on where to obtain correct equipment [contact@uksighthoundsport.com](mailto:contact@uksighthoundsport.com).
- **COLLARS:** Collars must be removed from dogs prior to running. Use of Slip leads and other aids is discouraged and may be penalised by judges.

### \* WITHDRAWALS \*

It is requested that competitors inform UKSS if any dog or bitch is to be withdrawn from competition, for whatever reason.

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