GAMEKEEPERS' CLASSES

All classes are sponsored by Chudleys Dog Food
Judges: Ms D. Hall, Mrs V. Payne & Mrs T. Twist

Ring Numbers 25, 26 & 35

Hall 5

COMPETING WITH DOCKED DOGS IN THE UK

Dogs which were docked before 6th April 2007: If your dog was docked either in the UK or in a foreign country before 6th April 2007 then it may compete at Crufts.

Dogs which were docked on or after 6th April 2007: If your dog was docked on or after 6th April 2007 it is not, under the law, permitted to be shown at Crufts (where the public are admitted on payment of a fee).

The BASC Gamekeepers’ classes consist of two categories as follows:

1. THE GAMEKEEPER CLASSES are strictly confined to gundog owners who are employed as bona fide head, single-handed, beat or under-keepers, river keepers or stalkers, or those retired (The dog may however be handled by anyone else at the request of the owner).

2. THE WORKING GUNDOG CLASSES are for dogs who have regularly worked in the shooting field, and the owners must provide written confirmation from the keeper/shoot organiser that their dogs have been worked as members of his regular beating/picking up team.

HOW TO ENTER

PLEASE NOTE: Entries for Gamekeepers’ classes cannot be made on-line and therefore must be made on a ‘paper’ entry form.

For each of the GAMEKEEPER/WORKING GUNDOG CLASSES send your completed entry form to Crufts by post to the address on the entry form. This must be accompanied by the relevant signed declaration (this can be found on the reverse of the entry form).

For the two TEAM COMPETITIONS:

1. Photocopy the Crufts entry form four times, completely fill in one form per dog and owner clearly indicating which is the reserve dog, staple or pin all four forms together (No other entries on these forms please).

2. Put the team name on each form.

3. Also indicate name and address of the Young Handler accompanying your team (if you are bringing one).

4. The declaration must be completed by the Gamekeeper or shoot organiser where you predominately work your dog and must accompany all individual Gamekeepers’ Class entries (this can be found on the reverse of the entry form).

5. Send all of the above to Crufts but please ensure that all the paperwork is properly completed otherwise your entry may become void.

A dog may be entered in the Gamekeepers’ Classes if it has not won a qualifying prize in a breed class at a Championship Show the previous year, or is not otherwise qualified, that is, if it is not eligible for entry in breed classes.

Only the winners of the Gamekeeper Classes (not the Working Gundog Classes) will compete in “Best in Show - Gamekeepers’ Ring” for the Northesk Memorial Trophy.

It is the responsibility of the handler to report to the collecting ring steward before the advertised start time of their individual class. Dogs will not be allowed entry into the show ring if judging of the last dog in the class has commenced.

Prizes will be awarded at the judge’s discretion.

ANY VARIETY POINTER, SETTER, H.P.R.

(Bracco Italiano, English Setter, Gordon Setter, Irish Red & White Setter, Irish Setter, Pointer, Brittany, German Longhaired Pointer, German Shorthaired Pointer, German Wirehaired Pointer, Italian Spinone, Hungarian Vizsla, Hungarian Wirehaired Vizsla, Large Munsterlander, Weimaraner)

1473. For Gamekeepers (Dodson & Horrell Trophy)

For Working Gundogs

1474. Best Dog (The Countryman’s Weekly Trophy)

1475. Best Bitch (The Tuffies Dog Beds Trophy)

ENGLISH SPINGRER SPANIEL

1476. For Gamekeepers (The BASC Nickerson Memorial Trophy)

For Working Gundogs

1477. Best Dog (The Shooting Times Trophy)

1478. Best Bitch (The Sporting Shooter Trophy)
ANY OTHER VARIETY SPORTING SPANIEL
(Field, Cocker, American Cocker, Sussex, Irish Water, Welsh Springer, Clumber, Lagotto Romagnolo, Spanish Water Dog)
1479. For Gamekeepers (Gamekeeper Feeds Trophy)

For Working Gundogs
1480. Best Dog (The Sportsman Game Feeds Trophy)
1481. Best Bitch (The Marsh Trophy)

LABRADOR RETRIEVER
1482. For Gamekeepers (The Malmesbury Trophy for Best Dog)
(Crufts Liphook Game Farm Ltd. Perpetual Challenge Cup for Best Bitch)

For Working Gundogs
1483. Best Dog (The Gilbertson & Page Trophy)
1484. Best Bitch (The Joint Aid for Dogs Trophy)

ANY OTHER VARIETY RETRIEVER
(Flat Coated, Curly Coated, Chesapeake Bay, Golden, Nova Scotia Duck Tolling)
1485. For Gamekeepers (The BASC John George Memorial Trophy)

For Working Gundogs
1486. Best Dog (The Shooting Gazette Challenge Cup)
1487. Best Bitch (The Marsh Trophy)

BASC REGIONAL GAMEKEEPER TEAM COMPETITION
1488. (Teams of 3 dogs plus 1 reserve led by a BASC Gamekeeper). No fee payable. This competition is very kindly sponsored by Crufts. (BASC Old Man of the Woods Trophy) Special Award One (The Derek Vaines Trophy) For the smartest team

ANY VARIETY GUNDOG
1489. Any Variety Gundog (Class restricted to Retired Gamekeepers) (BASC John Anderton Rose Bowl)

BASC REGIONAL WORKING GUNDOG TEAM COMPETITION
1490. (Teams of 3 dogs plus 1 reserve not necessarily owned by, but qualified by the keeper/shoot organiser as dogs which serve his/her shoot regularly during the shooting season). Sponsored by Crufts. (The Subaru UK Ltd. Trophy)

BEST YOUNG Handler
1491. Best Young Handler under 14 years handling any working gundog (dog or bitch) participating or eligible to participate in the above classes. A form must be completed for each entry. No fee payable. (The Judges will, in their opinion, choose "the best matched pair"). (The Mustwork Trophy - Best Young Handler under 14 years)
1492. Best Young Handler aged 14-18 years handling any working gundog (dog or bitch) participating or eligible to participate in the above classes. A form must be completed for each entry. No fee payable. (The Judges will, in their opinion, choose "the best matched pair"). (The Captain Heilgers Perpetual Challenge Cup - Best Young Handler 14 to 18 years)
BEST IN SHOW PARADE
(in the Arena) for:
THE BEST IN THE GAMEKEEPER CLASSES
(Crufts Northesk Memorial Trophy)

TROPHIES

The British Association for Shooting & Conservation offers the following:

For Gamekeepers:
1. The BASC Nickerson Memorial Award for the best English Springer Spaniel.
2. The Gamekeepa Feeds Trophy for the best Any Other Variety Sporting Spaniel.
4. The BASC John George Memorial Trophy for the best Any Other Variety Retriever.
5. The Dodson & Horrell Trophy for the best Any Variety Pointer Setter HPR.
6. The John Anderton Rose Bowl for the Best Dog or Bitch, Any Variety, owned by a retired Gamekeeper.
7. The Old Man of the Woods BASC Gamekeepers Team Regional Challenge Trophy.
8. The Derek Vaines Trophy for the Smartest Gamekeeper Team.

Crufts offers the following for Gamekeepers:
The Northesk Memorial Trophy for the best Gundog in the Gamekeepers Classes.
The Liphook Game Farm Ltd. Perpetual Challenge Cup for the best Labrador Retriever Bitch owned by a Gamekeeper.

The above two trophies will be presented but may not be taken away, however winners will be given commemorative trophies to keep.

For Working Gundogs:
10. The Sporting Shooter Trophy for the best English Springer Spaniel Bitch.
11. The Sportsman Game Feeds Trophy for the best Any Other Variety Sporting Spaniel Dog.
12. The Marsh Trophy for the best Any Other Variety Sporting Spaniel Bitch.
14. The Joint Aid for Dogs Trophy for the best Labrador Retriever Bitch.
15. The Shooting Gazette Challenge Cup for the Best Any Other Variety Retriever Dog.
16. The Marsh Trophy for the Best Any Other Variety Retriever Bitch.
17. The Countrymans Weekly Trophy for the Best Any Variety HPR Dog.
18. The Tuffies Dog Beds Trophy for the Best Any Variety Pointer Setter HPR Bitch.
19. The Subaru UK Ltd. Trophy for the Regional Working Gundog Team Competition.
20. The Mustwork Trophy for the Best Young Handler under 14 years.
21. The Captain Heilgers Perpetual Challenge Cup for the Best Young Handler 14 to 18 years.

All the above Trophies are perpetual and may not be won outright.