



THE GERMAN SHORTHAIRED POINTER CLUB

President: Mrs S Kuban

Schedule of the Unbenched Breed Championship Show

(Held under Kennel Club Limited Rules and Regulations)

At Staffordshire County Showground

Weston Road, Stafford ST18 0BD

In partnership with Manchester Dog Show Society Championship Show

On Sunday 21st January 2024

Only undocked dogs and legally docked dogs may be entered for exhibition at this show

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".

Jurisdiction and 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 F5).

ENTRIES CLOSE:
POSTAL – SATURDAY 30TH DECEMBER 2023
ONLINE – SATURDAY 6TH JANUARY 2024
Go to: www.gsp.org.uk

POSTAL ENTRIES TO BE MADE TO: MRS J COURT
The Meadows, Aire Street, Knottingley, West Yorkshire. WF11 9AT
Email: jill@jc-graphics.co.uk Telephone: 07931 312646

If a competitor, or anyone in their household, has Covid-19 related symptoms or has tested positive for Covid-19 they must follow Government advice and should consider whether it is appropriate that they attend the event.

Information at a Glance

PUPPIES

Puppies aged 4 months and over on the first day of the show are eligible to enter 'not for competition'. Please enter in the usual way enclosing the appropriate fee.



OFFICIALS

Show Manager:	Lesley Trow	Stewards:	Sally Knowles
Show Secretary:	Jill Court		Sue Knowles
Safety Officer:	Lesley Trow		



VETERINARY SURGEON

There will be a vet on the showground
(Exhibitors are responsible for any fees that may arise)



IMPORTANT – PLEASE READ

Anyone not entering Manchester Championship Show Entry Passes will NOT be required Please obtain removal passes from the Chief Stewards Office.



TROPHIES

Trophies for Best In Show, Reserve Best In Show, Best Puppy In Show, Best Veteran In Show and Best Field Trial In Show will be awarded at this show



PRIZE CARDS AND ROSETTES

Prize cards and rosettes will be given for 1st to VHC in every class.
Certificates will be awarded to Best in Show, Reserve Best in Show, Best Opposite Sex, Best Puppy, Best Veteran and Best Field Trial



DONATIONS FOR ROSETTES AND RAFFLE PRIZES

Sponsorship of Rosettes, Donations of prizes for the raffle would be most welcome.
Cups, Specials and any donations will be acknowledged in the catalogue



REFRESHMENTS

Refreshments can be obtained at the main show throughout the day



ADVERTISEMENTS

Advertisements in the catalogue are available subject to space.
Contact the Show Secretary



Classification

Judge: Mrs Jane Cule

Kennel Club Dog Certificate

Kennel Club Bitch Certificate

CLASS

- 1 Minor Puppy Dog
- 2 Puppy Dog
- 3 Junior Dog
- 4 Yearling Dog
- 5 Novice Dog
- 6 Post Graduate Dog
- 7 Limit Dog
- 8 Open Dog
- 9 Veteran Dog
- 10 Field Trial Dog

CLASS

- 11 Minor Puppy Bitch
- 12 Puppy Bitch
- 13 Junior Bitch
- 14 Yearling Bitch
- 15 Novice Bitch
- 16 Post Graduate Bitch
- 17 Limit Bitch
- 18 Open Bitch
- 19 Veteran Bitch
- 20 Field Trial Bitch

Best in Show, Reserve Best in Show, Best Opposite Sex, Best Puppy in Show, Best Veteran and Best Field Trial will now be judged by Jane Cule.

Best Veteran will be chosen from the winners of the Veteran Classes.

CHOOSE YOUR PREFERRED WAY TO ENTER THE SHOW

Online

Go to the German Shorthaired Pointer Club website at <https://www.gspc.org.uk> and select 'Forms' then 'GSPC Ch Show 2024' and finally select the 'Online Entry Form'. There is a £1.25 administration fee to enter online.

Complete the form following it right through to the end.

If you wish to pay by debit or credit card and do not have a PayPal account – Simply add the item(s) to your basket, view the basket, and proceed to checkout. After completing your billing details, choose 'PayPal Express', click 'Proceed to PayPal' then choose 'Pay by Debit or Credit Card'. Follow the instructions from there.

Bank Transfer

Scan and send a good copy of your entry form to jill@jc-graphics.co.uk (please make sure that the entry form is legible) and pay your entry fees directly into the GSPC Bank. The details are as follows:

Account Name – The German Shorthaired Pointer Club

Sort Code – 20-89-68

Account Number – 60255386

By Post

Complete and send an entry form, along with a cheque made payable to GSPC to Mrs J Court, The Meadows, Aire Street, Knottingley, West Yorkshire. WF11 9AT. Payments can also be made via bank transfer if preferred.



Rules and Regulations

- 1 The Show will open at 07.00am
- 2 Dogs will be received at any time but it is the exhibitors responsibility to ensure that exhibits are available for judging when required.
- 3 Judging will commence following GSP judging at Manchester; not before 11.30am
- 4 Exhibits may be removed from the Show after their judging has been completed. The Show will close half an hour after all judging has been completed
- 5 Entry Fees - First Entry per dog Members £17.00. Non Members £21.00. Each subsequent entry £3.00. Not for Competition £5.00 per dog. Catalogues £2.50 paid with entries, there will be a limited number of catalogues available for sale of the day at £3.50. Advertisements £10 per page or £5.00 per ½ page. To enter online go to <https://www.gsp.org.uk>
- 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 six 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 Best Puppy in Show

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. 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. Consequently, selection of Best Puppy in Show must follow the selection of Best in Show.

11 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.

- 12 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
- 13 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.
- 14 All exhibitors must be familiar with Kennel Club Regulation F (Annex B) - Regulations for the Preparation of Dogs for Exhibition
- 15 All dogs 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.

16 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 KC 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 the 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 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.

- 17 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 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.
- 18 Not for Competition. 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.
- 19 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

20 Security at shows

The Kennel Club understands that due to the nature of dog shows and the quantity of paraphernalia exhibitors bring it would be extremely difficult for show organisers to take on the issue of security alone, therefore, we would reiterate the advice being given by the Police and security services, that everyone in the UK should remain vigilant and this applies to those organising and taking part in dog shows.

The importance of exhibitors feeling that they and their dogs are safe when attending a show cannot be underestimated. We would therefore remind you of the importance of the need for show organisers and exhibitors to remain mindful of potential dangers and that all visitors generally need to be vigilant and alert.

Furthermore the society should provide robust notification informing exhibitors of where to report to should they see anything suspicious or of concern, and of the evacuation procedures in place.

- 21 A surcharge of £20.00 will be made on any cheque not honoured. Any exhibitor refusing to pay any outstanding entry fee and/or surcharge will be dealt with by the Kennel Club
- 22 Should any judge be prevented from fulfilling their engagement, the Committee reserves to themselves the right of appointing other judges to fulfil their duties. Exhibitors are at liberty to withdraw from competition, but no entry fees can be refunded.
- 23 Any owner, competitor 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 venue and within the environs of that event including car and caravan parks and approaches. Adequate receptacles for the disposal of such fouling will be provided.
- 24 The Committee will do its utmost to ensure the safety of the dogs brought for exhibition, but it must be clearly understood by exhibitors and all other persons at the Show that the Committee will not be responsible for the loss or damage to any dogs or property, or personal injury whether arising from accident or any other cause whatsoever.
- 25 All children must be kept under control and parents will be held responsible for any damage caused and charges incurred.
- 26 Please do not obstruct gangways with cages, pens, grooming tables, trolleys and dogs. Storage space will be made available for trolleys/cages.
- 27 If in the opinion of the Show Secretary, Show Manager or Judge any dog is considered not in a fit state for exhibition owing to a disease, savage disposition, or any other cause, the dog may be excluded or removed from the show the dog must not be brought into the Show at any time under any circumstances.
- 28 No animal other than an exhibit duly entered at the show will be allowed within the precincts of the show during its continuance, however, spectators dogs are welcome providing the owner comes to the Secretary's table on arrival to obtain a 'Spectator Dog Entry Acceptance' ticket at the cost of £5.00 per dog.
- 29 The owner, exhibitor, handler or other person in charge of a dog at a Kennel Club licensed event 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 the appropriate entry fees.
- 31 Every exhibitor shall ensure that whilst the dog is being exhibited, its handler shall display the correct ring number. Ring numbers need to be collected from the Secretary's table on arrival, they will not be given in the ring.

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., 23rd December 2023.

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. First prizes awarded in any class defined as Special do not count towards eligibility.

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 F.(1).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 12 calendar months of age, 18 calendar months of age or 24 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 respectively 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.

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)

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 three or more CC/CACIB/CAC/Green Stars or won seven 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.

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

FIELD TRIAL - For dogs which have prizes, Diploma of Merit or Certificate of Merit in actual competition at a Field Trial held under Kennel Club or Irish Kennel Club Field Trial Regulations.

NOT FOR COMPETITION - 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.

Results Book 2023

The Results Book 2023 will be printed, as usual, in time for Crufts 2024 at a price of only £10.00. As in previous years, the book will contain results and critiques from all Championship shows throughout the 2023 season, along with photographs of new Champions, Top Dog, Top Stud Dog, Top Brood Bitch and Top Puppy of the year, making the publication a 'must' for all GSP enthusiasts.

Advertise your kennel or any achievements gained during the year, simply collect a form from the Secretary's table and send with your cheque to Jill Court, The Meadows, Aire Street, Knottingley, West Yorkshire. WF11 9AT or apply on the website and return it by no later than the deadline of:

Tuesday 26th December 2023
at only £30.00

Each advertiser will receive a **FREE** copy
of the Results Book

In the case of shared pages, partnerships, families etc., only one copy will be given. To be collected at Crufts 2024. Not going to Crufts? It can be posted. See website for details

Coloured photographs must be of good quality preferably with a plain background to show off your dogs, the reproduction of them will depend on the quality of the original. If your photograph has been taken on a digital camera (professionally or otherwise) please do not send a printed copy for anything other than illustration, instead transmit it via e-mail or by memory stick/CD as separate JPG, Tiff, or PDF images, **NOT** inserted into your email, to: jill@jc-graphics.co.uk. Please layout your copy plainly, accurately and check it carefully before you submit it. **We are happy to design the page for you if required.** Proofs will be sent out for approval and correction and all photographs will be returned

PLEASE NOTE: Anyone wishing to send a complete advertisement through as a JPEG/PDF image is quite welcome to, however, it **MUST** be the correct size of **272mm x 185mm**. A4 size will not reduce correctly to these dimensions. Please bear in mind that if any alterations are required to a PDF, JPG etc, i.e., size, copy or photos, the printer will be unable to make those changes. You will need to alter the advertisement yourself and re-send through to the email address shown above.

The finished size of your advertisement must be 272mm x 185mm – NOT A4.

All advertisements and Results Books can be quickly and easily ordered and paid for via the website, <https://www.gsp.org.uk>, for a small administration fee or, if you prefer, complete the form and send with cheque, made payable to GSPC, to: Jill Court, The Meadows, Aire Street, Knottingley, West Yorkshire. WF11 9AT

DIRECTIONS TO THE SHOW

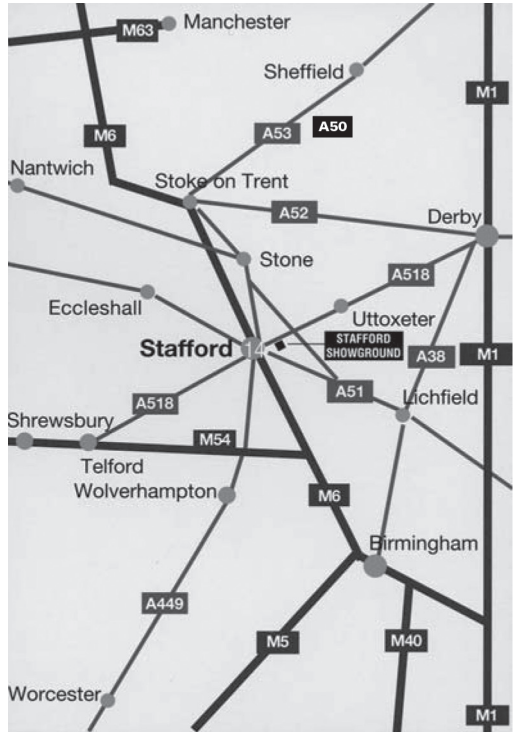
Positioned in the heart of England, the Showground is easily accessible by road.

From the South

- M5, M6. Exit M6 motorway at junction 14. Follow A518 and signposts for Stafford Showground.
- M1, M6. Exit at junction 14 and follow signs for Stafford Showground and A518.

From the North

- The M6 is a major route for those travelling from the north. Exit at junction 14, as above.
- M1, via Derby A38, A50, A518. (The Showground is located on the A518).



Accommodation

- A wide selection of accommodation is available within easy reach of the Showground. Stafford town centre is just 3 miles away offering a range from simple B&B to four star hotels. For a detailed list please contact Stafford Tourist Information Centre (Tel. 01785 619619). It is recommended that exhibitors ensure that their chosen establishment will accommodate dogs prior to booking.



GSP Rescue UK

Rescue, rehabilitation & rehoming for German Shorthaired Pointers

GSP Rescue UK is an organisation dedicated to the welfare of German Shorthaired Pointers through rescue, rehabilitation, rehoming, and education.

We are funded entirely on donations and our activities are run by volunteers. GSP Rescue UK are a non-profit organisation in the process of registering as a charity with the Charity Commission. We are very grateful for any donation, no matter how big or small, whether it be money, goods or services. Every penny is a penny towards the help of a GSP.

GSP Rescue UK is the breed rescue officially recognised by The German Shorthaired Pointer Club, The Central and Southern GSP Society, The GSP Association and The Kennel Club

From sending donations to adopting a dog, any help is greatly appreciated. If you would like to get involved here are some examples of ways to help:

- EasyFundraising - earn money for us every time you shop online
You can also donate for free when you sign up to our EasyFundraising account. It costs nothing to join and we receive donations every time you shop online via the EasyFundraising site
<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/gsprescueuk/>
- Participate in our fundraising events
- Donate items to auction or raffle
- Donations via PayPal via donations@gsprescue-uk.org.uk
- Collect used stamps

If you would like to start collecting stamps for us please cut them from packaging or envelopes leaving a 1cm border all around the stamp.

Please send stamps to: GSP Rescue UK
- Stamp Appeal, 6 Forge Row, Gilwern,
Abergavenney, Monmouthshire. NP7 0HA

For details on the rescue and rehoming of German Shorthaired Pointers please -
Visit the website at www.gsprescue-uk.org.uk
Call us on 01873 831879

Follow us on Facebook - GSP Rescue UK
Email: enquiries@gsprescue-uk.org.uk

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