



National IPO Championships 2018



Venue: Team Marches Training Ground – DY10 4LA

Schedule of Events

Friday

1pm – 3pm Competition Field available for informal obedience practise – no protection

Saturday

7.30am Competition Ground opens

7.45am All competitors to meet at Team Marches for id check and running order draw

8.20am Competitors 1-10 travel to tracking ground

9am Tracking commences at tracking grounds and obedience practise for competitors 11-20

10am Competitors 11-15 travel to tracking ground

11am Competitors 16-20 travel to tracking ground

1.30pm Helper Run Through with Judge

2pm Protection Practise

4.30pm Competition Field Closes

NOTE THAT CLOCKS GO BACK 1 HOUR ON SATURDAY NIGHT – DON'T FORGET!

Sunday

7.30am All competitors to meet at Team Marches

8 am Obedience Phase – running order as for tracking

Lunch Half hour break

Afternoon Protection Phase – running order as for tracking

End of Day Presentation of Awards

Friday obedience practise is open to competitors only and they will need to sign in upon arrival with the trial secretary. Anyone who wishes to practise at the venue in the weeks leading up to the event should contact the trial secretary to arrange – all potential competitors are very welcome.

All scheduled times are to be adhered to, in the event of major, unforeseen circumstances the trial manager reserves the right to amend the programme schedule. Competitors will be kept informed throughout the weekend via the public address system but it is their responsibility to present themselves on time for practise sessions and competition phases.



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No remote training collars or pinch collars are allowed at the competition venue at any time (including Friday). The judge reserves the right to disqualify any competitor using non “competition standard” equipment and the trial manager will bring any such breaches of rules to the judges’ attention if observed.

Draw

On arrival at the field competitors must hand their workbook to the trial secretary – no-one will be allowed to compete without a workbook. Competitors will be given their number bib and must then report to the judge for id check. Competitors will then draw their running order position and receive their obedience and protection practise times and directions to the tracking grounds. A second tracking draw will be held at the tracking fields

Tracking

Location and directions to the tracking ground will be issued during the draw to competitors and will be available from the trial secretary for spectators.

The tracking land is on a working farm and dogs are not allowed to be exercised there so all dogs must be exercised on the at the competition field before travelling to the tracking ground. No spectator’s dogs to be exercised at the tracking ground.

It is the competitors’ responsibility to present themselves for their track at their allotted time. Note that times are approximate only and a competitor may be called for tracking earlier than their allotted time.

Competitors should return to the competition field promptly after their track in order to be ready for their practise times.

Tracking Times:

Approximate Tracking Time	Running Order
9.00	1
9.12	2
9.24	3
9.36	4
9.48	5
10.00	6
10.12	7
10.24	8
10.36	9
10.48	10
11.00	11
11.12	12
11.24	13
11.36	14
11.48	15
12.00	16
12.12	17
12.24	18
12.36	19
12.48	20



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Obedience Practises

Practise sessions are 10 minutes and will be strictly enforced. To be fair to all competitors there will be no “clubbing” of practise sessions ie several competitors pooling their practise sessions to have extra time and train together. Each competitor must present on time for their practise session – the practise marshal will determine the exact time and will call competitors off the field ready for the next competitor to start – their decision will be final. Practise sessions will be strictly in draw order as shown below but if a competitor finishes early then the practise marshal reserves the right to allow the next competitor onto the field before their allotted time.

Obedience Practise Times:

Practise Time	Running order
9.00	11
9.12	12
9.24	13
9.36	14
9.48	15
10.00	16
10.12	17
10.24	18
10.36	19
10.48	20
11.00	1
11.12	2
11.24	3
11.36	4
11.48	5
12.00	6
12.12	7
12.24	8
12.36	9
12.48	10



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Protection Practise

Protection practise sessions will be five minutes in duration and will be strictly enforced. Each competitor must present on time for their practise session – the practise marshal will determine the exact time and will call competitors off the field ready for the next competitor to start – their decision will be final. Practise sessions will be strictly in draw order as shown below but if a competitor finishes early then the practise marshal reserves the right to allow the next competitor onto the field before their allotted time. **Please advise the practise marshal if you do not wish to use your allotted practise time.**

Practise Time (PM)	Running order
2.00	1
2.07	2
2.14	3
2.21	4
2.28	5
2.35	6
2.42	7
2.49	8
2.56	9
3.03	10
3.10	11
3.17	12
3.24	13
3.31	14
3.38	15
3.45	16
3.52	17
3.59	18
4.06	19
4.13	20

Obedience and Protection Phase Judging

Each competitor must present on time for judging of the two phases in the running order.

Presentation of Awards

Competitors should assemble for the presentation with their dogs at the allotted time. In recognition of the huge effort that has been put in by every competitor to prepare for the competition and out



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of respect for our judge we ask spectators to stay for the presentation. We will do our utmost to ensure the finalising of all paperwork is carried out efficiently to minimise waiting time.

Withdrawal

All competitors must complete all three phases. In the event of injury or illness a competitor must report to the trial manager who will obtain permission to withdraw from the judge.

Conduct

The event is run by volunteers from Team Marches Dogsport and other areas of the WDG and GSDL. All of our volunteers are much appreciated and deserve the respect and courtesy of all attending the event – competitors and spectators alike. No abuse of any type will be tolerated and a formal report will be made to the GSDL Working Dog Group Executive Committee of unacceptable behaviour. This includes the use of social media and your attention is drawn to the GSD League social media policy.

Key Contacts

Trial Manager	Shirley Hutchinson	07803 175333
Trial Secretary	Lorraine Foster	
Tracking Manager	Gavin Smith	
Practise Marshall	Shirley Hutchinson	