



THE BEAGLE ASSOCIATION

(FOUNDED 1962)

SCHEDULE OF 26 CLASS UNBENCHED

65th BREED CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

(To be held under The Royal Kennel Club Limited Rules & Regulations)

To be held in conjunction with the Beagle Association Open Show.

Judge: Mrs J Brownlow (Rushwater). Schedules available via Higham Press.

on

Sunday 5th July 2026

at

**Asfordby Acres, Hoby Road,
Asfordby, Melton Mowbray LE14 3TL**



Judge: Mrs A Tofts (Jarrowley)

Show Opens: 9.00 am

Judging Commences: 9.30 am (prompt)

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 Royal 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 Royal Kennel Club General Show Regulations F4 and F5).

Postal entries close Thursday 11th June 2026

**Entries may be made online up to 12 noon on Thursday 18th June 2026
at www.highampress.co.uk**

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."

POSTAL ENTRIES AND ALL COMMUNICATIONS PLEASE TO:

Jenny Thornton (Show Secretary),
Mapsedge, Cross in Hand, Heathfield, East Sussex TN21 0TA
Tel: 01435 868399 Email: showsecretaryba@gmail.com
Website: www.beagleassociation.org.uk

On Call Veterinary Surgeons: Rutland and Kings Veterinary Centre, Snowhill,
Normans Way, Melton Mowbray LE13 1JE. Tel: 01664 567481

ONLY UNDOCKED DOGS AND LEGALLY DOCKED DOGS MAY BE ENTERED FOR EXHIBITION AT THIS SHOW

BEAGLE ASSOCIATION OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE - 2025/2026

PATRON: Miss O Gore

PRESIDENT: Miss S Kimber

VICE-PRESIDENTS

Mr D Conway, Mrs D Brown, Mr S Dunn, Mrs V Hargrave,
Mrs M Hunt, Mrs M Ryan, Mrs A Tofts

HON. LIFE MEMBERS

Mr J Gordon-Hall, Miss S Kimber, Mrs J Lennard, Miss A M Phillips BA,
Mr J Reymond, Mr S Smart, Miss P Sutton, Mrs S Taylor

CHAIRMAN: Mrs J Lennard

VICE-CHAIRMAN: Mr N Stevens

SHOW MANAGER & SAFETY OFFICER: Mrs J Brownlow

COMMITTEE

Mrs J Ambridge, Mrs J Brownlow, Miss F Ferguson, Mrs M Henningsson-Dundas,
Mr R Henningsson-Dundas, Mrs M Kingsland, Mrs C Laughton, Mr N Stevens,
Mrs E Thornton-Margetts, Mrs J Thornton

Show Secretary: Mrs J Thornton

Treasurer: Miss J Forbes

<p>Hon. Secretary – Mrs J Bell 38 Holly Grove, Fareham, Hants PO16 7UP Tel: 01329 310703 / 07909964211 (leave a message) secretarybeagleassociation@gmail.com www.beagleassociation.org.uk</p>

There will be no trophies handed out at the July 2026 shows (apart from the Crufts Trophies) to allow for them to be reassessed for insurance purposes. Could exhibitors with BA cups and trophies please return them to the show or contact our Cup Steward, Mrs M Kingsland (tel: 01305 820491 or email madcapta@gmail.com) to arrange a way to deliver them back to us. Thank you.

Dates for your Diary

Saturday 20th February 2027 - Championship Show & AGM

at Benson Parish Hall, Benson, Wallingford, Oxon OX10 6LZ

Judge: Mrs A Keepence-Keyte (Alandobel) (subject to RKC confirmation)

Sunday 11th July 2027 - Championship & Open Show

at Asfordby Acres, Hoby Road, Asfordby, Melton Mowbray LE14 3TL

Championship Show Judge: Mrs E Thornton-Margetts (Maplelayne)

Open Show Judge: Mrs J Whitton (Haggatty)

CLASSIFICATION

Judge: Mrs A Tofts (Jarrowley)

Royal Kennel Club Challenge Certificate – Dog

- 1 Veteran Dog
- 2 Special Vintage Dog
- 3 Minor Puppy Dog
- 4 Puppy Dog
- 5 Junior Dog
- 6 Yearling Dog
- 7 Novice Dog
- 8 Post Graduate Dog
- 9 Limit Dog
- 10 Open Dog
- 11 Special Beginners Dog
- 12 RKC Good Citizen Scheme Dog
- 13 Baby Puppy Dog

Royal Kennel Club Challenge Certificate – Bitch

- 14 Baby Puppy Bitch
- 15 Veteran Bitch
- 16 Special Vintage Bitch
- 17 Minor Puppy Bitch
- 18 Puppy Bitch
- 19 Junior Bitch
- 20 Yearling Bitch
- 21 Novice Bitch
- 22 Post Graduate Bitch
- 23 Limit Bitch
- 24 Open Bitch
- 25 Special Beginners Bitch
- 26 RKC Good Citizen Scheme Bitch

Baby Puppy classes will be judged straight after the Dog CCs have been awarded and before the judging of Bitches.

CATALOGUES - £3.00 if booked with entries; £3.50 on the day

Onsite Catering is available

The Beagle Association is actively supporting the Canine Genetics Centre Team at Cambridge University and there will be a special fundraising activity at this Show. Your continued support is very much appreciated.

**ANY HOUND FOUND IN A CAR IN A DISTRESSED
CONDITION WILL BE DEALT WITH IN ACCORDANCE
WITH RKC REGULATIONS**

Raffle prizes welcome

IMPORTANT INFORMATION FOR ALL EXHIBITORS

Entry Fees:	Members -	First entry per dog £13.50
	Non-Members -	First entry per dog £16.00
	Baby Puppy -	£3.00 per dog

All subsequent entries £2.00 per class. When entering any dog "Not for Competition" please give full details (where known) and enter NFC in class box. NFC entries £2.00. *Under RKC Regulations puppies between the age of 3 and 6 calendar months may be entered NFC at breed and sub group shows.*

NO PASSES WILL BE SENT - PLEASE ENCLOSE STAMPED ADDRESSED POSTCARD IF ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF ENTRIES IS REQUIRED.

CATALOGUES: £3.00 if booked with entries. £3.50 on the day.

EXHIBITORS PLEASE NOTE: Please send a NFC entry for all dogs, regardless of breed, to avoid leaving dogs in cars. Thank you

DIRECTIONS: Full directions are included in this schedule.

JUDGING TIMES: Judging starts at 9.30am prompt.

CAMPING/CARAVANNING: Camping is available in the show site's car park on Saturday and Sunday night at a cost of £10 per night (There will be no facilities available. More details available from the Show Secretary).

MOBILE TELEPHONES: Exhibitors are asked to refrain from allowing their mobile telephones to ring whilst they are at ringside or in the ring due to the distraction this causes to hounds, other exhibitors and judges alike.

Membership subscriptions: Single £10.00; Joint £12.00; Junior £5.00 (to 31st December following 18th birthday); Overseas £16.00.

Subscriptions are due annually on the 1st January each year and include a copy of the current annual.

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PRIZE AND MONEY SPECIALS

The Beagle Association presents specials for classes 1-12, 15-26 and for BIS, RBIS, BPIS and BVIS.

Rosettes 1st-VHC in all classes

Rosettes sponsored by Mrs Jessie Bell: Best in Show; Reserve Best in Show; Best Puppy in Show; Best Baby Puppy; Best Dog; Best Puppy Dog; Reserve Best Dog; Best Bitch; Best Puppy Bitch; Reserve Best Bitch; Veteran Dog and Bitch; Best Veteran in Show.

Mrs S Taylor presents Sausages for Veteran Classes.

Mr and Mrs D Conway present prize money for the Best Veteran and Best Opposite Sex Veteran.

Mrs Jenny Thornton sponsors treats for all Baby Puppy entrants.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The show will open at **9.00am**.
2. Dogs will be received at any time but it is the exhibitor's responsibility to ensure that exhibits are available for judging when required.
3. Judging will commence at **9.30am prompt**.
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: **Members** first entry per dog £13.50; **Non-Members** first entry £16.00 per dog; all subsequent entries £2.00 per class. Baby Puppy Classes £3.00. **NFC** £2.00 per entry (must be 3 calendar months of age and over). Catalogues £3.00 if booked with entry, £3.50 on the day. You may enter online at www.highampress.co.uk.
6. Prize money for BVIS - £10.00 & BVOS - £5.00.
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. **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. 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 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 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 Royal Kennel Club Show Regulation F11.
14. All exhibitors must be familiar with Royal 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 Royal 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 Royal Kennel Club offers the following guidance to help guide you through the do's and don'ts travelling to and whilst at Royal Kennel Club 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 Royal 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 Royal Kennel Club Regulations in this respect may be referred to the Board for disciplinary action under The Royal 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 Royal 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 Royal Kennel Club registered. Not for Competition entries will be accepted for dogs aged 3 calendar months of age on the first day of the show.
19. No modifications will be made to this schedule except by permission of the Board of The Royal Kennel Club, which will be followed by advertisement in The Canine Press wherever possible.
20. 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.
21. **CANCELLATION OR ABANDONMENT.** Entry fees will not be refunded in any circumstances where any Act of God or any other unforeseen reason causes the cancellation or abandonment of the show.
22. This show will be held under Royal Kennel Club Limited Rules and Regulations and all dogs must be registered at The Royal Kennel Club before the show.
23. Postal Entries Close **Thursday 11th June 2026**. Entries may be made online up to 12 noon on **Thursday 18th June 2026** at www.highampress.co.uk.
24. No passes will be sent - for acknowledgement of entries please enclose a stamped addressed postcard.
25. The Committee will not be responsible for any claim for injury or compensation for loss of property occasioned by or arising out of the holding of the show or by reason of the act or default of any person in attendance or present thereat.
26. The Committee can accept no responsibility for products advertised or sold by Trade Stands at this show, and would remind exhibitors that grooming products on sale may not meet the requirements of the Regulations for the Preparation of Dogs for Exhibition.

EXHIBITORS PLEASE NOTE:

In accordance with Royal Kennel Club guidelines, Exhibitors must display exhibit number/owner identification on their crate, cage or container at all times.

DEFINITIONS 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 Royal 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. **Thursday 4th June 2026**. 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 classes 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 twelve calendar months of age, eighteen 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 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).

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 Royal Kennel Club Regulations or under the rules of any governing body recognised by The Royal 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.

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

SPECIAL BEGINNERS For owner, handler or exhibit not having won a Challenge Certificate or Reserve Challenge Certificate, or for those breeds not allocated Championship Status, Best of Sex or Reserve Best of Sex at a Championship Show.

GOOD CITIZEN DOG SCHEME CLASS For dogs that have achieved their GCDS Bronze Award Certificate or above.

SPECIAL VINTAGE For dogs of not less than ten years of age on the first day of the show.

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.

Directions to Asfordby Acres, Hoby Road, Asfordby, Melton Mowbray LE14 3TL

Asfordby Acres is just to the west of Melton Mowbray.

From the A1. Follow the signs to Melton Mowbray. In Melton Mowbray, follow the A607 joining the A6006 Asfordby Road at the large crossroads with the A606 Nottingham Road. Follow the A6006. After 1.5 miles, at the roundabout, take the second exit onto Melton Road. After 0.8 miles, at the next roundabout take the second exit onto the A6006. After 1 mile, turn left onto Loughborough Road and after 92 yards, turn left onto Hoby Road. Asfordby Acres is half a mile further on the left.

From the M1 South. Leave at junction 21A to merge with the A46 and follow the signs towards Newark. After 7.5 miles, take the exit and merge onto the A46. After 3.5 miles, turn right onto Seagrave Road, towards Thrussington and Rearsby. After 1 mile, turn right onto Hoby Road. Go through Hoby and turn right onto the Asfordby Road. The venue is 1.8 miles on the right.

From the M1 North. Leave the M1 at junction 24 and take the second exit onto the A6 signed to Loughborough and Kegworth. Follow the A6 through Kegworth towards Loughborough. At the end of the section of dual carriageway, at the traffic lights, turn left onto the A6006, signed towards Melton Mowbray. After approximately 13 miles, turn right onto Loughborough Road and after 92 yards, turn left onto Hoby Road. Asfordby Acres is half a mile further on the left.

