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## **Paignton Fanciers Association Championship Show**

**Venue:** Paignton Championship Dog Show, Westpoint,  
Clyst St. Mary, Exeter EX5 1DJ

**There will be a scheduled 10 minute comfort break 1 hour after the start of the class**

**9.30am Start Time**

### **SATURDAY 1ST AUGUST 2026**

**Morning (9.30am):** Gundogs - Judge: Angela Caley  
Pure Breed Scissor - Judge: Tiffany Saywell  
Workshop - Judge: Emma Crawley

**Afternoon (1.00pm):** Poodle - Judge: Carol Parcheeni-Hutchins  
Terrier Handstrip - Judge Angela Caley  
Doubles - Judge: Tiffany Saywell  
Model Dog - Judge: Emma Crawley

**Price:** £65.00 per class  
£5.00 parking if booked online (£10 on the day)

# GROOMING SHOW - Saturday 1st August 2026

MORNING Start Time 9.30am - AFTERNOON Show Start Time 1.00pm

Online only - No Extensions

AM & PM Shows

AM: Gundogs, Pure Breed Scissor, Workshop

PM: Poodle, Terrier Handstrip, Doubles, Model Dog

Price: £65.00 per class £5.00 parking if booked online, £10 on the day

***EARLY ENTRY ADVISED - LIMITED AMOUNT OF TABLES AVAILABLE***

## Class Rules

### **Handstrip (Terrier - Open & Champion)**

Timings are as follows:

Small and Medium sizes - 2:30 hours

Large sizes - 3:00 hours

Stripping knives are allowed. The dog needs to be groomed according to the breed standard. Coloured chalk powder/block/spray and cream are allowed.

You are not allowed to use clippers except:

Scottish Terrier – chest, head and ears.

West Highland Terrier - chest and ears.

Schnauzer - chest, head, inside of back, legs and ears.

### **Gundog (Open & Champion)**

Timing as follows: All breeds, all sizes - 2:30 hours

Stripping knives are allowed. The dog needs to be groomed according to the breed standard. Coloured chalk powder/block/spray and cream are allowed.

It is not allowed to use clippers except Cocker and Setters chest and ears.

### **Poodle (Open & Champion)**

Timings are as follows:

Toy 1:45 Hours

Miniature - 2:00 hours

Standard - 2:30 hours

Plus 15 minutes to spray up the top knot.

The dog should be washed and fluff-dried. Clipper comb attachments are not allowed. Muzzle and feet should be shaven before the start of the competition and be groomed in a style recognised in the breed standard.

Poodles with top knots may ask for help from an outsider to hold the dog. Colouring is not allowed.

### **Pure Breed Scissor (Open & Champion)**

Timings are as follows:

Small 1:30 hours

Medium 2:00 hours

Large 2:30 hours

This is a class for Pure Breed dogs that cannot enter into our other classes and in a breed standard trim using all allowed techniques for that breed. Allowed techniques are classed as what is permissible if the dog was being entered into a Royal Kennel Club conformation show. All other pure breed dogs includes but not limited to Kerry Blues, Soft Coated Wheatens, Afghan Hounds, Bedlingtons, Lowchens, Old English. Colouring is not allowed.

### **Doubles (Open & Champion)**

Timings are as follows: All breeds - 2.00 hours

Two groomers to groom one dog, all techniques allowed except for colouring. The winners of this class are not eligible for Best in Show.

### **Model Dog (Open & Champion)**

Competitors are to bring a Model dog already completed. The categories for this class are Breed Standard, Asian Style or Creative. The model dogs must not have been previously used in other competitions. Competitors of this class are not eligible for Best in Show.

## **WORKSHOP - (Open & Champion)**

Contestants may enter with any breed that is groomed commercially.

Breeds that are usually hand stripped can be clipped or scissored and long hair breeds can be clipped or scissored.

Poodles can be groomed in a non-standard poodle trim such as a Kerry Blue Terrier or a Bedlington Terrier.

In this category, all breeds and techniques may be used. Colouring is not allowed.

The winner in this category is not eligible for BIS.

# **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

## **Classes**

There will be three placements per class in each category. The categories are Open and Champion. Admission to the Open class is available to all contestants that have never won their categories. The contestant is allowed to stay in Open for 12 months from winning first place in that category and only if that class had five or more contestants. Champion class is for anyone that has won their category more than 12 months ago. Due to any event that may occur that is out of our control, the classes that the Judges are listed to judge may change at short notice.

## **Equipment**

Contestants must bring their own tools & tables. No tools or electricity will be provided.

## **Dogs**

- There will be a 10-minute comfort break for all dogs after one hour has elapsed in the morning and afternoon sessions.
- Contestants must provide their own dog(s). Clean up after them!!
- All dogs except those entering hand strip must be washed.
- Ears and nails should be plucked and/or trimmed before the competition.
- It is permitted for the dog's underbelly, genitals and hindquarters to be previously groomed for reasons of hygiene, according to the breed standard.
- The dog needs to have at least 8 weeks of coat growth or poodles minimum 5cm coat length.
- Any evident line or pattern should not be visible.
- The dog's coat must be long enough to allow the groomer to make a difference in its appearance.
- Contestants competing with dogs showing evident lines and/or without enough coat to make a difference in their appearance may be marked down or disqualified.
- All grooming techniques are allowed, as long as the chosen technique suits the type of the dog's coat.
- All dogs under 15" must measure 15" or below at withers & a over 15" dog is anything above 15" at the withers. Withers are as indicated in the Royal Kennel Club Document SR12 v8 June 2018, Training Board Points of the Dog Assessment.

## **Contestants**

- Contestants must be in the ring 30 minutes prior to the start of the competition for pre-judging with their own dog and tools. (Please note there a cafe on site but you can bring your own food & drink).
- Contestants are NOT allowed to talk to other contestants (except in Doubles Class) and/or the audience during the contest. Anyone not following this rule will, on the first occasion, be warned by a steward or judge. On the second occasion, they will be disqualified.
- Contestants are NOT allowed to use a mobile phone and/or any electronic device during the competition. Anyone not following this rule will, on the first occasion, be warned by a steward or judge. On the second occasion, they will be disqualified.
- Contestants are liable for their own equipment/tools/dog trolleys & dogs, Paignton Dog Grooming Competition is not liable if anything is to be broken, stolen.
- The use of chalk is allowed however no trace of it should remain on the judge's hand after judgement has taken place. (Cleaning fee can be charged if all over floor).
- Any aggressive behaviour including foul language towards the judges, event staff or spectators will lead to disqualification.
- Any competitor handling a dog in a rough and/or unsafe manner will be advised of their conduct. A second occasion of being advised will lead to disqualification.
- If the competitor makes clipper burns, nicks or cuts they cannot be placed as a winner.
- Disqualifications will be executed by the Lead Judge.
- Contestants should remove all hair, equipment and products from the grooming table as well as moving all items on the floor under the table, to allow the judges an easy approach to the tables for judgement. We ask if you can pop your fur into a bag it will help with clearing up also.
- A comb should be placed on the table for the judge to use during judging.
- Contestants may comb their dogs before and after the judging panel has evaluated their dogs.
- Contestants should stack his/her dog to present to the judge. Dogs not in judgement should not be kept stacked.
- Paignton Dog Grooming Competition is not held responsible for any loss of equipment, car/van damage or dog loss, injuries, fatalities. Please be responsible for your dog you have in your care.
- Any complaint must be in writing, presented to the Lead Judge before the end of the event.



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