

LARGE MUNSTERLANDER CLUB

COVID-19 RISK ASSESSMENT

ADVICE FOR EXHIBITORS ATTENDING THE 2021 MORNING AND AFTERNOON CHAMPIONSHIP SHOWS ON 20th JUNE 2021

The Large Munsterlander Club Committee would like to welcome all members and exhibitors to the 2021 Championship Shows. We hope you enjoy the day.

It is the aim of the Committee to make the event as enjoyable as possible for members and exhibitors in a Covid-19 safe manner.

The Club is immensely lucky to be able to run the show at the venue.

The Club would like to thank our hosts and the German Shorthaired Pointer Club Committee who are sharing the venue with us.

Although Covid-19 infections are currently at the lowest levels since July 2020, attending any event is not without personal risk to all exhibitors.

The Committee would like exhibitors to keep this in mind and to follow the advice set out below.

The show will be organised in line with current Government Covid-19 Regulations and any additional regulations requested by the Oakridge Equestrian Centre and the Kennel Club.

Please note that the regulations were reviewed on May 17th 2021 as part of the Government's Roadmap and may be reviewed again before the show date.

The Covid-19 Officer appointed for the show will be Dr Robert Suchett-Kaye

BEFORE THE SHOW

- You must not attend if you have had any Covid-19 symptoms in the previous 14 days.
- You must not attend if any household or member of your bubble has had Covid-19 symptoms in the previous 14 days.
- You must not attend if you have been requested to isolate by NHS Track and Trace.

Covid-19 symptoms can be any of the following:-

- fever temperature more than 37.1°C
- sore throat, runny nose, cough (cold like symptoms)
- aching joints, headache, general malaise ('flu like symptoms)
- loss sense taste and smell (unique to Covid-19)
- abdominal pain, nausea, diarrhoea (food poisoning type symptoms)

If in doubt as to whether you should attend or not, do NOT attend. There is always going to be another show and safety of others should be paramount.

The Committee would like to encourage ALL exhibitors to check their Covid-19 status with a rapid home Lateral Flow Test on the day before the Show. This would make the Show so much safer for everybody.

This is a recommendation only and not a requirement.

Rapid tests can be ordered on line free of charge.

Please remember that up to one third of Covid-19 positive persons have no symptoms but can still transmit the infection.

Essential items to bring to the Show:

- Masks - several as may need to be changed during the day
- Hand sanitiser / gel
- Gloves

These will not be provided by the Club.

AT THE SHOW

Weather

The show is an outside event and there will be no indoor rings

Please bring suitable clothing and footwear to match the weather conditions.

You can set up small gazebos. Please leave plenty of space.

Rain may mean that you will need to change your mask frequently

To minimise the need to sanitise no chairs will be available to exhibitors so you will need to bring your own

Parking

There is plenty of parking space at the venue. Parking will be on a grass field adjacent to the ring.

There will be hard standing parking reserved for exhibitor with disabilities

Please bring your Blue Badge with you.

Exhibitors MUST follow the instructions given by parking stewards when they arrive and ONLY park in the designated areas

Drivers must allow reasonable space between cars / vans

Exhibitors must maintain reasonable social distancing when unloading and loading dogs in cars

DOGS SHOULD BE KEPT ON LEADS AT THE SHOW AS THERE WILL BE HORSES IN ADJACENT FIELDS

Please be aware that the day may be hot and dogs must not be left unattended in a car.

A Committee member will check on vehicles at regular intervals during the show.

ACTION WILL BE TAKEN IF DOGS ARE DISTRESSED AS PER KC GUIDELINES

At the show

The UK Government COVID 19 Rules current on the day of the show must be followed at all times.

There will be a great temptation to go up to friends and get closer, but please bear in mind that the social distancing is probably the most powerful tool in reducing your risk SO PLEASE KEEP SOCIALLY DISTANCED AT ALL TIMES. IT IS IN YOUR INTEREST.

The wearing of masks or face coverings : these MUST be worn in those areas where it is required by Government Covid-19 regulations.

Exhibitors will be asked to wear these when exhibiting their dogs in the ring.
The judge and stewards will be wearing face masks or coverings in the ring.

Exhibitors are requested to keep movement around the venue to a minimum. The venue is being shared with the German Shorthaired Pointer Club Championship Show.

Exhibitors are requested to only bring additional family members who are part of their bubble. No spectator dogs will be allowed and anyone wishing to bring a family dog to the show should enter the NFC Class.

Entry numbers per class will be published on the LMC website prior to the show. This should allow exhibitors to stagger their arrival if they so wish. The Show Secretary will be contactable on his mobile before and during the show.

Ring protocol

Exhibitors will be asked to reduce the risk of covid-19 transmission by adhering to the following protocols when showing their dogs in the ring

- Wear face masks or coverings whilst handling their dogs
- Keep an appropriate distance at all times from other exhibitors and their dogs. The suggested distance is 1m. The ring will be of suitable size to allow such social distancing whilst being judged.
- Show the dogs dentition to the judge when requested
- Enter and exit the ring in an orderly and socially distanced manner.
- Collect their ring numbers and catalogues in an orderly and socially distanced manner from a table set up near the ring before entering the ring.
- Exhibitors will be advised to only collect their own number and not to touch any other number on the table
- No ring number will be handed out in the ring.
- Listen to and follow the instructions given in the ring by the stewards.
- This particularly applies to where exhibitors are asked to stand.
- Exhibitors to wait until their class has been called before entering the ring and not to congregate outside ring entry point
- Bunching up of dogs will NOT be allowed.
- Keep their dogs under strict control whilst in the ring

Ring set up

- There will be a one-way system of entering and exiting the ring.
- There will be a 2 metre wide perimeter ring around the show ring.
- Bystanders around the ring will be asked not to enter the perimeter ring

Judges will be asked to reduce the risk of covid-19 transmission by adhering to the following protocol when judging exhibits in the ring

- Wear a face mask or covering whilst judging the dogs

- Sanitise hands before and after judging each dog or change pair of gloves
- Keep socially distanced from exhibitors and ring stewards except when examining the dog
- Place dogs in order left to right in middle of ring in a socially distanced manner
- Ask first three dogs to remain in ring for critiques
- Instruct exhibitors to collect rosettes and award cards in an orderly manner from a table placed next to the exit of the ring.

Stewards will be asked to reduce the risk of covid-19 transmission by adhering to the following protocol when stewarding in the ring

- Wear a face mask or covering
- Keep an appropriate distance from exhibitors at all times
- Ensure that appropriate social distance is always maintained between exhibitors and their dogs when being judged in the ring
- Ensure that dogs that have been placed are asked to go to the middle of the ring in a socially distanced manner
- Ensure that the first three dogs remain in ring for critiques in a socially distanced manner
- Ensure that exhibitors and their dogs leave via the appropriate exit in an orderly and socially distanced manner
- Ensure that the ring is cleared before the next class is called into the ring
- Ensure that the class number is called in a manner that can be heard by exhibitors wishing to stay in or by their vehicles

There will not be an award board at the Show

Class placing will be posted on the Club Website after the show

There will not be a raffle

No trophies will be physically available at the show but the Committee will engrave the appropriate trophy with the winner's name.

Oakridge Cafe

The Café will be fully open during the show and a good selection of food will be on offer prepared by the Oakridge Chef

Please ask staff about the arrangements when you arrive.

Seating at tables both inside and outside is available

Please follow guidance from staff on the seating arrangements etc

Timing of the shows

The Committee plan to set up the ring on the day before the show

Cars can arrive from 8.30am onwards on show day

Judging of the morning Championship Show commences at 9.30am

Judging of the afternoon Championship Show will NOT commence before 12.30pm

It is proposed that there should be at least a 30minute break between the two shows

Leaving the show

Exhibitors may leave the show at any time after their judging has been completed.
Please clear up any litter after you leave and take everything with you.
This will minimise the risk of Covid-19 being transmitted via plastic cups or bottles.