

Schedule



**midland
Counties**
CANINE SOCIETY

ALL BREED OPEN SHOW

(under licence of the IKC)

Saturday, 14th February 2026

at

National Show Centre, Cloghran, Swords, Co. Dublin

Judging will commence in all rings at 11:00 a.m. Sharp

RING NUMBERS WILL BE HANDED OUT ON THE DAY

Enter online at www.dogshowentry.ie

Online entries close at midnight on 6th February 2026

Hon. Show Secretary: Mrs. M. Leeper Nevin
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Midland Counties Canine Society 2026

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Committee

Mr. M. Bailey, Mrs. M. Bermingham, Mr. M. Cooper, Mrs. M. Leeper-Nevin,

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Honorary Veterinary Surgeon

Dr. Rebecca Barton MVB, Catstone Veterinary, Mullingar, Co. Westmeath

A Veteran may be entered in Veteran Stakes without
entering the Breed Class

Show Regulations

Jurisdiction: The Show will be held under the Licence and Rules of the Irish Kennel Club as is in force on the 1st January 2026.

Venue: The Show will be held at the **National Show Centre, Cloghran, Swords, Co. Dublin**

Entry Fee: €12.00 for the first dog. **Subsequent entries:** €6.00 per dog per class. (registered to the same owner)

Stakes Classes: €6.00 per dog. To enter Stakes Class Exhibitors must be entered in Breed class except Veterans.

Variety Classes: €6.00 per dog.

Entries will be received online (www.dogshowentry.ie) until midnight on the 6th February 2026

Postal entries will be received by the Show Secretary up to 30th January 2026 (Postmark)

Entry Forms: Mistakes in- The Catalogue will be compiled from entries submitted by the Exhibitors, and while every endeavour will be made to have the forms correctly interpreted the Midland Counties Canine Society cannot accept any responsibility for mistakes which may bring Exhibitors within the purview of the Irish Kennel Club Ltd Rule 15, Sect. 1, or clerical mistakes that may occur during the compilation

Rejection of entries: The committee reserves the right to reject any entry, advertisement or other insertion in the catalogue

Ineligible entries: A transfer of an incorrect entry as to sex may be allowed by the Secretary prior to the commencement of judging a dog entered in a class for which it is not eligible may be transferred to the next appropriate age class but in no other respects.

Registrations: All dogs entered for competition at this show must be registered at the Irish Kennel Club. Entries for Greyhounds already registered with the Irish Coursing Club will be accepted without further registration.

Fouling: Each exhibitor will be required to clean up after their dogs in any part of the showgrounds.

Judging: Judging will commence at 11:00 a.m. sharp. with **Puppy Stakes**

Judges: In the event of an appointed Judge failing to keep his/her engagement the committee reserve the right to appoint another judge to fill the vacancy.

Car Park: **FREE** - All cars are parked at owners risk.

Catalogues: €3.00

The Promoting Body will not be responsible for any loss, damage or accident to any person, property or dog in the show or attending same.

CLASSIFICATION

Dogs: Baby Puppy, Puppy, Junior, Intermediate, Adult, Open, Champion, Veteran, Neuter

Bitches: Baby Puppy, Puppy, Junior, Intermediate, Adult, Open, Champion, Veteran, Neuter

Junior Handling Classes: 10-12 yrs. 13-14 yrs. 15-17yrs.

Stakes Classes: Puppy Stakes Dog, Puppy Stakes Bitch, Junior Stakes, Veteran Stakes, Brace Stakes, Champion Stakes.

Variety Classes: Ladies Handling, Gents Handling, Bred by Exhibitor, Not Bred by Exhibitor, New to Showing.

CLASS DEFINITIONS

(The word 'Dog' includes both sexes)

A Baby Puppy Class is confined to dogs over 4 and less than 6 months of age on the day of the Show. Dogs entered in this class are not eligible to challenge for the Green Star and may not take part in any further competition except Best Baby Puppy In Show.

A Puppy Class is confined to dogs of 6 months and under the age of 12 months on the day of the Show.

A Junior Class is for dogs between 9 and 18 calendar months of age on the day of the Show.

An Intermediate Class is for dogs between 15 and 24 calendar months of age on the day of the Show.

An Adult Class is for dogs between 24 and 36 calendar months of age on the day of the Show.

An Open Class is for dogs over 15 months of age on the day of the Show

A Champions Class is for dogs who have gained the Title of Champion under Irish Kennel Club Rules or under another recognised Kennel Authority **confirmed by the date of closing of entries**.

A Veteran Class is for dogs over eight years of age on the day of the Show.

Please note—a Veteran Dog who is also a Champion may enter in either Veteran or Champion Class but not both.

A Neuter Class is confined to neutered dogs. Dogs entered in this class may not compete for any other award other than Best Neuter in show.

A Veteran may be entered in Veteran Stakes without entering in the Breed Class

Judges and Breeds

Group 1 Judge: Mrs. J. Benson

Australian Shepherd dog, Belgian Shepherd Dog, Groenendael, Laekenois, Malinois, Tervueren, Bouvier Des Flandres, Briar, Collie Bearded, Collie Border, Collie Rough, Collie Smooth, German Shepherd Dog (Short Coat), German Shepherd Dog (Long Coat), Hungarian Puli, Old English Sheepdog, Pumi, Schipperke, Shetland Sheepdog, Welsh Corgi Cardigan, Welsh Corgi Pembroke, White Swiss Shepherd Dog, Unlisted Breeds Group 1.

Group 2 Judge: Mrs. J. Benson

Affenpinscher, Bernese Mountain Dog, Black Russian Terrier, Boxer, Bulldog, Bullmastiff, Dobermann Pinscher, Dogue De Bordeaux, Giant Schnauzer, Great Dane, Leonberger, Mastiff, Neopolitan Mastiff, Newfoundland, Pinscher Miniature, Pyrenean Mountain Dog, Rottweiler, Schnauzer Miniature, Schnauzer Standard, Shar Pei, St. Bernard Long Haired, St. Bernard Short Haired, Unlisted Breeds Group 2.

Group 3 Judge: Mrs. J. Benson

Airedale Terrier, American Staffordshire Terrier, Australian Silky Terrier, Australian Terrier, Bedlington Terrier, Border Terrier, Bull Terrier, Bull Terrier Miniature, Cairn Terrier, Cesky Terrier, Dandie Dinmont Terrier, English Toy Terrier, Fox Terrier Smooth Haired, Fox Terrier Wire Haired, Irish Glen of Imaal Terrier, Irish Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier, Irish Terrier, Jack Russell Terrier, Kerry Blue Terrier, Lakeland Terrier, Manchester Terrier, Norfolk Terrier, Norwich Terrier, Parson Russell Terrier, Scottish Terrier, Sealyham Terrier, Skye Terrier, Staffordshire Bull Terrier, Welsh Terrier, West Highland White Terrier, Yorkshire Terrier, Unlisted Breeds Group 3.

Group 4 Judge: Ms. C. Bellamy

Dachshund Long Haired, Dachshund Long Haired Kaninchen, Dachshund Long Haired Miniature, Dachshund Smooth Haired, Dachshund Smooth Haired Kaninchen, Dachshund Smooth Haired Miniature, Dachshund Wire Haired, Dachshund Wire Haired Kaninchen, Dachshund Wire Haired Miniature

Group 5 Judge: Ms. C. Bellamy

Akita Inu, Alaskan Malamute, American Akita, Basenji, Chow Chow, Finnish Spitz, German Spitz Klein, German Spitz Mittel, Italian Volpino, Japanese Shiba Inu, Japanese Spitz, Keeshond, Norwegian Buhund, Norwegian Elkhound, Pharaoh Hound, Pomeranian, Samoyed, Siberian Husky, Thai Ridgeback, Unlisted Breeds Group 5.

Group 6 Judge: Ms. C. Bellamy

Basset Fauve De Bretagne, Basset Hound, Beagle, Black and Tan Coonhound, Dalmatian, Fox Hound, Kerry Beagle, Petit Basset Griffon Vendeen, Rhodesian Ridgeback, Unlisted Breeds Group 6.

Group 7 Judge: Mrs. J. Benson

Bracco Italiano, German Long Haired Pointer, German Short Haired Pointer, German Wire Haired Pointer, Hungarian Vizsla, Hungarian Wire Haired Vizsla, Italian Spinone, Pointer, Setter English, Setter Gordon, Setter Irish, Setter Irish Red And White, Spaniel Brittany, Weimaraner, Unlisted Breeds Group 7.

Group 8 Judge: Mrs. J. Benson

Lagotto Romagnolo, Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retriever, Portuguese Water Dog, Retriever Chesapeake Bay, Retriever Curly Coated, Retriever Flat Coated, Retriever Golden, Retriever Labrador, Spaniel American Cocker, Spaniel Clumber, Spaniel Cocker, Spaniel English Springer, Spaniel Irish Water, Spaniel Welsh Springer, Spanish Water Dog, Unlisted Breeds Group 8.

Group 9 Judge: Ms. C. Bellamy

Bichon Frise, Bolognese, Boston Terrier, Cavalier King Charles Spaniel, Chihuahua Long Coat, Chihuahua Smooth Coat, Chinese Crested, Coton De Tulear, French Bulldog, Griffon Belge, Griffon Bruxellois, Havanese, Japanese Chin, King Charles Spaniel, Lhasa Apso, Lowchen, Maltese, Papillon, Pekingese, Petit Brabancon, Phalene, Poodle Medium (Over 35 To 45cm), Poodle Miniature (Over 28 To 35cm), Poodle Standard (Over 45 To 60cm), Poodle Toy (Over 24 To 28cm), Pug, Russian Toy Long Haired, Russkaya Tsvetnaya Bolonka, Shih Tzu, Tibetan Spaniel, Tibetan Terrier, Unlisted Breeds Group 9.

Group 10 Judge: Ms. C. Bellamy

Afghan Hound, Borzoi, Deer Hound, Greyhound, Irish Wolfhound, Italian Greyhound, Saluki, Whippet, Unlisted Breeds Group 10.

Variety Classes: **Judges will be appointed on the day.**

Best in Show Judge: Ms. L. Casey

- * Puppy Dog Stakes / Puppy Bitch Stakes
- * Junior Stakes
- * Veteran Stakes
- * Champion Stakes
- * Brace Stakes

Junior Handling (10—12 Years)

Junior Handling (13—14 Years)

Junior Handling (15—17 Years)

Best Champion in Show

Best Baby Puppy in Show

Best in Show

