



# THE BRITISH SIEGER EVENT



Hosted by the  
WUSV Working Group &  
The German Shepherd Dog Breed Council  
(Special Event recognised by the Kennel Club)

## *Principal Sponsor* *Arden Grange*

To be held on  
**Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2010**

at the Old Saltleians Rugby Football Club  
Watton Lane, Water Orton, Birmingham. B46 1PH

**Grounds open: 7.30am each morning**  
**Judging of Courage Test commences: 8.30am on Saturday**

### Judges:

Minor Puppy Male – Wilhelm Norsdieck  
Minor Puppy Female – Albrecht Woerner  
Puppy Male – Wilhelm Norsdieck  
Puppy Female – Albrecht Woerner  
Males (12 months upwards) Albrecht Woerner  
Females (12 months upwards) Wilhelm Norsdieck

**Event Manager: Paul Cassidy**

**Entries close 23rd August, 2010**

Entry Forms can be downloaded off the following websites

[www.britishsieger.co.uk](http://www.britishsieger.co.uk) [www.gsdleague.co.uk](http://www.gsdleague.co.uk), [www.gsdbreedcouncil.co.uk](http://www.gsdbreedcouncil.co.uk), [www.bagsd.net](http://www.bagsd.net)

All entries with correct fees to:

**The Event Secretary, Mrs Sheila Rankin, 94a Shepherd Hill, Harold Wood,  
Essex RM3 0NJ: Tel: 01708 342194**

Email: [sheila.rankin@dsl.pipex.com](mailto:sheila.rankin@dsl.pipex.com)

**PLEASE ENSURE YOU READ THE EVENT RULES & REGULATIONS**

- **Car Parking this year will be paid direct to the Rugby Club on the Day £5.00 weekend Pass/ £3.00 on the day**
- **Catalogues for sale on both days £5.00**

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## **Time Schedule and Class Order**

**Saturday 7.30am. Show grounds open to exhibitors and visitors**

**7.45m Beginning of identification checks and exhibit number allocation (Registration)**

(Registration is available on Friday from 4pm to 6 pm, then Saturday 7.45am to 10.30am, Sunday 7.45am – 10.30am)

(Practice Session with Helpers from 4pm to 6pm on Friday at the venue)

**8.30am Courage tests begin for males, then females from the Working Classes**

(all Working Dogs have to be registered by 8.30am)

**Followed by the age classes in the following order:**

Minor Puppies to have registered and be ready for judging by 10.30am (not before)

**Class 1 - Minor Puppy Male Class – Six to nine months of age (6-9)**

**Class 2 - Minor Puppy Female Class – Six to nine months of age (6-9)**

**Class 3 - Puppy Male Class – Nine to twelve months of age (9-12)**

**Class 4 - Puppy Female Class - Nine to twelve months of age (9-12)**

**Class 5 - Youth Male Class – Twelve to eighteen months of age (12-18)**

**Class 6 - Youth Female Class – Twelve to eighteen months of age (12-18)**

**Class 7 - Young Male Class – Eighteen to twenty four months of age (18-24)**

**Class 8 - Young Female Class – Eighteen to twenty four months of age (18-24)**

**Sunday – 7.30am Show grounds open to exhibitors and visitors**

**8.00am Collection of Progeny Groups**

**8.30am Judging Progeny Groups**

**Followed by the remaining Classes**

**Class 9 - Adult Female Class – For all animals of twenty four (24) months and older**

**Class 10 - Adult Male Class – For all animals of twenty four months (24) and older**

**Class 11 - Working Female Class – For all animals two years of age and older who fulfil criteria**

**Class 12 - Working Male Class – For all animals two years of age and older who fulfil criteria**

Awards are made directly after each class for that particular class finishing with the Working class awards where any VA titled dogs will also be honoured

**Judging of Kennel Groups**

### **AWARDS**

**Trophies 1-5<sup>th</sup> place in all classes**

**Grading Cards to all exhibits**

**All animals graded will receive a Medal**

**Trophy for Best British Bred Male/Female (classes 9 to 12)**

**Arden Grange Product Prizes**

**Working Classes Sieger/Siegerin Laurel Wreaths**

**Kennel Group Trophies 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> place.**

**Progeny - Trophies 1<sup>st</sup> to 3<sup>rd</sup> place**

**Other Specials will be listed in the Catalogue**

### **SPONSORSHIP INVITED**

The British Sieger Committee would welcome any sponsorship for this event. Class Sponsors will have a strap line advert at the head of the class listing. Sponsors will also be given full credit in the catalogue and on the four internet web sites after the event. Please contact Steve Foran on 0161 483 9388 or email [stephenforan@thinkpositive.co.uk](mailto:stephenforan@thinkpositive.co.uk)

**Entry Fees**

**£15.00 for the first dog, £50 for 4 dogs or more**

**Not For Competition £3.00**

**Car Parking will be paid direct to the Rugby Club Officials on the day £5.00 weekend pass or £3.00 day entry**

**Please note car park fee is venue owner's requirement**

**Caravan & camping rate £5 (Shower and toilet facilities available) Latest arrival time 10.30 pm on Friday**

**please specify on the entry form whether caravan or tent**

**Privileged parking area for Disabled on production of disabled pass**

**Catalogues on sale both days £5.00**

**Cheques payable to the British Sieger Event**

### **RATES FOR CATALOGUE ADVERTISING**

**Full page A4 colour – £55, Full Page Black & White £35. Center Page (right hand side only) Full Colour £100. For centre pages contact Brigid for rates If you have any special requirements regarding advertising – Telephone Brigid on 0115 9375165**

**ALL ADVERTISING MUST BE WITH US BY THE CLOSE OF ENTRIES – Not to Secretary but to Brigid Fahy Newlands – Email: [brigid.newlands@btinternet.com](mailto:brigid.newlands@btinternet.com), or post to Hoe Hill Cottage, Cotgrave Rd, Plumtree, NG12 5NY**

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## SUMMARY OF IMPORTANT SHOW RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. The Event is open to German Shepherd Dogs only
2. All handlers when exhibiting in the ring must wear a number bib. The bib must be clearly visible. It is the owner's responsibility to ensure the bib is returned to the steward at the end of the class, otherwise unreturned bibs will be charged for at £10
3. There will be a mandatory gun test for all classes over the age of 12 months
4. All exhibits must have verifiable Identification i.e. tattoo number or ISO approved microchip. This is mandatory
5. All dogs over 24 months must have been surveyed (see Working Class requirements)
6. All exhibitors should report to the Secretary's Tent prior to collect their ring number, then report to the identification tent. At this point identification will be checked. Teeth & Testicles will be checked by the judge
  - a) Dogs will be measured at the discretion of the judge in the ring (see working class requirements)
7. Please ensure you include a copy of your dog's survey with your entry form
8. All Exhibitors and handlers will abide by all instructions from the judges, ring stewards and Event Manager
9. Cheques/PO's payable to the British Sieger Event. Should any cheque, money order etc. not be honoured immediately upon presenting to the Bank, the entries will either be returned or the cheques, etc. represented for discharge and any such costs or fees that are incurred, the exhibitor shall be liable for the full costs
10. In the event the British Sieger Event is cancelled due to unforeseen circumstances it will refund any fees, less reasonable expenses, to all exhibitors and if requested, provide a statement of the costs
11. Dogs must not be left unattended in the precincts of the show and under no circumstances are they to be tied up. Dogs in cars – remedial action will be taken in the event of dogs left in cars being found in a distressed condition. Warning - If your dog is found to be at risk, forcible entry to your vehicle may be necessary without liability for any damage caused
12. Exhibitors are responsible for the behaviour of their children and will be held responsible for any damage caused
13. Awards will be given out at the end of each class
14. Winners will be entitled to use the titles of The British Sieger/The British Siegerin (from the Working classes), Adult Sieger/Siegerin, Young Sieger/Siegerin and Youth Sieger/Siegerin.
15. **Entries close 23rd August, 2010**
16. UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WILL LATE ENTRIES BE ACCEPTED
17. Please respect the venue and clean up after your animal, any one found not cleaning up after their animals will be asked to leave the venue
18. **In the interest of health & safety no running around the outside of the ring will be allowed; the Officials word is final.**
19. During the Courage Test on Saturday morning, only dogs participating in this class will be allowed in the area of the ring and practice area, all other dogs are requested to be kept away until completion of the courage test.
20. The use of Remote Trainers and pinch collars will not be allowed and anyone found using them will be reported and disqualified.

## **Working Class Requirements**

- 24mths +
- A Copy of all paperwork, official EKC/IKC/SV/WUSV/FCI pedigree, SV Körung, to be sent in with entry form (entry will not be accepted without these documents)
- All dogs must have a minimum of Sch H1/VPG1/IPO1
- All dogs will be subject to off lead gaiting (no more than one lap of the ring)
- Perform the courage test (further details see page 4)
- If a dog fails the Test of Courage they will be unable to compete in ANY adult class
- For a dog to achieve the grade of VA they must comply with all the above requirements
- Dogs who have a Körung are only eligible to enter the working class

## **Adult Open Class Requirements**

- 24mths +
- A copy of official EKC/IKC/SV/WUSV/FCI pedigree
- UK Breed Survey
- Any Dog with or without Sch H1-2-3/VPG1-2-3/IPO1-2-3 but NO SV Körung can enter the Adult Open Class provided they meet the above criteria however; their working qualifications will NOT be taken into account

## **Young Class Requirements**

- 18 – 24mths
- Hip scores are required however and must be disclosed

## **Youth Class Requirements**

- 12 – 18mths
- Hip scores are not required, however if a score has been granted and must be disclosed

**All dogs above the age of 12 months will be subjected to Gun shot test**

## **Progeny Group Requirements**

- Entry into the Progeny Group must have a minimum of four animals
- Progeny can either be Sire or Dam
- All dogs must be entered in the event before they can compete in the Progeny Group.

## **Kennel Group Requirements**

- Entry into the Kennel Group should consist of between three to five animals, which must have all been bred by the same kennel although not necessarily in the breeders ownership
- All dogs must be entered in the event before they can compete in the Kennel Group.

## **Courage Test Regulations**

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**REGULATION REQUIREMENTS WUSV UNIVERSAL STANDARD**

**COURAGE TEST – APPLICABLE TO ALL DOGS SUBMITTED FOR CONSIDERATION OF AN ‘EXCELLENT SELECT’ TITLE.**

In compliance with WUSV regulations pertaining to the awarding of the distinctive ‘Excellent Select’ (VA) title offered under controlled circumstances in shows other than the SV main breed show the following tests will be required of adult dogs and bitches over twenty four months of age and entered in the open classes scheduled for working dogs

**This test is here outlined.**

### **Phase A:**

Before entering the test area the dog’s tattoo and/or micro chip number is examined and verified.

1. The dog and handler will proceed to the marked starting point they take a couple of steps, with the lead still attached to the dog.
2. The dog is placed in the basic position (sitting), the lead is removed and the handler and dog walk towards the area where the helper is hiding. As they approach the hiding place, upon a signal from the judge the helper comes-out and moves towards the dog in a threatening manner. The dog is required to grip the helpers arm, and once the helper stops his resistance the dog should release automatically or alternatively release the grip when given a command by the handler to ‘out’. Upon releasing, the dog is required to stay close to the helper and remain in a guarding mode. In all instances the handler is only allowed to give three ‘out’ commands.
3. The handler takes his dog and leads him to the new starting point for the commencement of the next exercise

## Phase B:

1. The dog and handler takes up the basic position at the marked location. The dog must be under effective control in the basic position (sitting). The handler may hold the dog by the collar and yell a command "come out" – or something similar. In response the helper leaves his hiding place and walks parallel to the handler and dog.
2. When the helper reaches the centre of the field, the handler yells "stop there" and the helper reacts by running towards the handler and dog in a threatening way.
3. On a signal from the judge the handler will let go of his dog and the dog must run towards and stop the helper by gripping the protected arm. Just as in the previous exercise, the dog may release automatically at the cessation of the conflict or may be given a command to 'out'. The dog is required to stay close to the helper in a guarding mode. The handler will then approach the dog, attach the lead and in an orderly fashion return with the dog to the reporting area to await the judges comments. As in the previous test (A) when a verbal command is used to affect a release by the dog – only three (commands) opportunities are permitted.

## EXPLANATION OF TEST RESULTS

1. Dogs with a "pronounced" courage rating and that release automatically or upon command, guard effectively and remain under control will be the only ones eligible to proceed to the next stage for consideration of an "Excellent-Select" rating in the open class. A pass in this phase does not automatically guarantee a 'VA' title.
2. Dogs which receive a courage rating distinction in the 'Existing' category shall be ineligible to proceed to receive a 'VA' - 'Excellent Select' title. However the dog shall still remain eligible to be considered for the high rating of 'Excellent' – this is however completely at the discretion of the officiating judge.
3. Dogs which do not release the grip after three commands shall be considered to be effectively out of control and may be dismissed from the courage tests. However, the owner may still enter the dog in the conformation class but on the understanding that the dog can only at most receive a high rating of 'SG' (Very Good).
4. Dogs which grip effectively and demonstrate a willingness to let go, but do not remain guarding the helper in convincing and effective mode shall be ineligible for an 'Excellent' rating in the conformation ring. The dog can only at most receive a high 'Very Good' notation regardless of its anatomical qualities.
5. Dogs which exhibit poor nerve condition, show obvious fear or who avoid contact with the helper in the courage test, or who explicitly lets go and runs away (avoidance) on the stick test shall be dismissed immediately and there after remain ineligible to take part in any further conformation evaluation or rating process associated with the Show.

## **Provisions for the Helper to assist the judge.**

- The helper assigned to assist the judge during the courage test evaluations must be a licensed GSD League/BAGSD VPG/WDB/WUSV helper with trial assistant experience and have an understanding of the testing and selection regulations.
- The work must be carried out in strict accordance with the testing regulations as contained in the SV/WUSV Breed Survey.
- The helper must at all times work under the direction of the officiating judge and may not save by implicit instruction from the judge carry out any action not prescribed/permitted in the regulations. This means that in instances when a dog fails to let go, runs away or otherwise exhibits negative responses the helpers reactions are dictated by the judge. This also applies to rewarding failing dogs with a sleeve win.
- The helper is required to use appropriate and properly fitting protection wear – this is specified as regulation scratch overalls and a matching jacket with an opposite protected sleeve. The padded arm for the test must be of a reasonably good quality with the jute cover having previously been broken-in. There must be no loose fabric or damaged areas which could cause the dogs teeth to snag. The padded stick must be of a flexible type (regulation).
- The equipment of the helper is finished-off with suitable training shoes with studs or grips so as to ensure steadiness in all phases.

**Please note:** the details provided above are explicitly intended to apply only to the courage test as per the international guidelines. To establish eligibility to submit a dog for consideration for a VA title and as a precursor to being allowed to take part in these working tests there are several other criteria that must be met in full. Exhibitors intending showing dogs in the British Sieger Event are strongly advised to familiarise themselves with the regulations. This test should not be confused with the requirements required for Schutzhund/VPG/IPO trials.

## DIRECTIONS TO VENUE

### DIRECTIONS FROM THE M42

EXIT AT JUNCTION 9

TAKE THE A446 SOUTH, TOWARDS COVENTRY, CONTINUE ON THE A446 AT THE FIRST ROUNDABOUT CONTINUE ON THE A446 AT THE TRAFFIC LIGHTS ON A NARROW BRIDGE ,TURN RIGHT AT THE NEXT SET OF LIGHTS INTO WATTON LANE.

TURN LEFT INTO, GILSON ROAD. THE CLUBHOUSE IS ON YOUR LEFT.

### DIRECTIONS FROM THE M6

EXIT AT JUNCTION 4, TAKE THE A446 NORTH, TOWARDS LICHFIELD, CONTINUE ON THE A446 AT THE NEXT TWO ROUNDABOUTS, TURN LEFT AT THE NEXT SET OF LIGHTS INTO WATTON LANE, TURN LEFT INTO GILSON ROAD. THE CLUBHOUSE IS ON YOUR LEFT

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Hotel – we have managed to obtain the same rates as last year for 2009

*Holiday Inn Coventry M6 Jct2 - 17 Miles (26km) from venue*

*Hinckley Road*

*Coventry*

*CV2 2HP*

*Tel: 02476 587 4020 - Quote: British Seiger Show*

*£49 Bed & Full English Breakfast per room per night*

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