

## **Dog High Jump**

## **Rules & Regulations**

- 1. This competition is a test of the dog's jumping ability.
- 2. The competition is open to all dogs of all shapes and sizes.
- 3. The dog is permitted to jump on to or over the jump.
- 4. A dog who has placed 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> at a Local Show/Field Day Level will qualify for the State Final.
- 5. A dog can represent only one Local Show/Field Day.
- 6. All dogs not competing must be on a lead with a handler in the marshalling area behind the competition area.
- 7. Competition area should be 15 metres long by 8 metres wide.
- 8. Only one dog may be loose in the competition area at any one time.
- 9. There must be a handler at the top of the jump to act as a catcher if necessary, and a handler as a catcher at the bottom.
- 10. The dog's owner must supply one extra handler.
- 11. A ladder will be provided for the handler.
- 12. Each dog is allowed three attempts at each height.
- 13. In the event of two dogs jumping the same height, the winner shall be determined as the dog that took the least number of attempts for the winning height.
- 14. A dog may compete on a loose lead.
- 15. If the dog is not on a loose lead the dog must be released at a minimum of three metres from the jump.
- 16. Any mishandling or misuse of a dog will incur immediate disqualification.
- 17. If, in the opinion of the stewards, a dog is unsafe to other competitors or the public, it will be withdrawn from the competition.
- 18. The jumps should be constructed according to the following specifications:
  - The top must be a minimum of 600mm wide and covered with carpet or similar material.
  - If your society is considering constructing a dog jump, please contact the VAS office for detailed plans or they are available on the website.

## 19. Classes

- Small dog class under 50cms
- Medium dog class 50cms and less than 60cms
- Large dog class 60cms and over
- 20. If since competing at a Local Show/Field Day, a winning dog has grown in height that dog must compete in the appropriate height class at the State Final.

## **State Final Prizes:**

First place in each class: Sash Second place in each class: Sash Third place in each class: Sash

