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will
travel
to all the***

2002 Flyball Tournaments

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On behalf of Anne Johnson, Sam Bawden, Mo Hiscock and myself I would like to thank the Committee for the floral tributes presented to us at the A.G.M. It was very much appreciated but we know we are just part of a team of volunteers, which makes up the Committee & Officers, who spend a great deal of their spare time making the B.F.A. an Association to be proud of.

I also know that without you, the Members, the Flyball Record would be a very dull magazine. **Please keep your news, views, ideas and stories coming in.** We all love to read anything to do with our four legged friends and your opinions on the subjects in the new 'Flyball Forum' would be very welcome indeed. So ***don't just think about writing something, do it!*** Don't worry about grammar or spelling etc., I'll sort it.

***This piece of news came from Graham, our
BFA Secretary:-***

You may be aware that Anton had a trailer stolen just before his Thame Show. The thieves dumped some of its contents on an Industrial Estate near Chichester which included his boards marked 'British Flyball Association'. The recipient was cute enough to look at our Website and found my number.

His description of the items immediately suggested Anton and I gave him Modern Dog Sports Telephone No. Contact between them resulted in the recovery of a lot of the missing items.

Anton has recently written to thank the BFA for our help and made this comment which I think is worth a mention, I quote:

'If our experience is anything to go by perhaps anyone else with equipment in transit or on trailers should check the conditions of their insurance before a loss occurs'.

What a world we live in, give me dogs anytime!!

ED.

Chairmans Slot

ROY HISCOCK

The Annual General Meeting came and went and was not uneventful.

Firstly a thank you to those who attended, giving up their time and money for the sport, and to those who helped organise it, especially the Wolf Pack who provided the plentiful buffet.

The A.G.M. all started calmly enough and showed the power of discussion. Some well thought out and well presented points were raised. Many points came out that the Committee need to take onboard this year, especially in the training and education department. The best was left to last and there was some frank exchange of views over the foam and the jump height issues. Then came the fiasco of the vote on jump heights, the eventual outcome was that the maximum height stays at Fourteen Inches. There were some good points for and against, but as always it came down to votes for and against and more pointedly abstentions. But at the end of the day the membership agreed on 98 percent of issues, so lets not let the two percent harm our sport. I hope that we can all live with such a small difference of opinion. Everyone was friendly in the car park after the A.G.M., which just proves that we can.

Many members had asked to be able to vote by post and just looking at the outcome of most of the proposals the reason why not, is obvious. Hardly ever is the proposal voted on as is firstly proposed. Nearly all have a certain amount of tinkering with before voting, so any postal vote would be for a proposal that no longer existed.

With the trophies now in place on the mantelpieces, the race for this year is now on, and as intense as ever. There will be an addition this year, Multibreed Team of the Year, run the same way as Team of the Year.

The BFA is in a strong position and getting stronger each year. A couple of straw polls to the membership reinforced that the Committee is going in the right direction and have the support of the majority of the membership. But, there is still much work to be done, and we thank the membership for their continued support.

SHEEP – DOG

A shepherd was tending his sheep by a country road when a brand new Range Rover screeched to a halt next to him. The driver dressed in a sharp suit, hand made shoes, expensive sunglasses and a gold wristwatch, jumped out and said “If I guess how many sheep you have, will you give me one?”. The shepherd looked at the large sprawling herd of sheep and said “O.K.” So the man parked his Range Rover connected his notebook and wireless modem, entered a NASA site, scanned the ground using satellite imagery, opened a data base and 60 Excel tables filled with logarithms, printed a 150 page report on his high tech mini printer and said “you have exactly 1,927 sheep here”. The shepherd answered “you are right! Pick out your sheep”. The man took one of the animals and put it in the back of the Range Rover. The shepherd looked at him and asked “If I guess your profession will you pay me back in kind ?” “Sure”. “You’re a consultant”. “Exactly! “How on earth did you know that ?” “Simple” replied the shepherd, “Firstly you came without being invited, secondly you charged me for telling me something I already knew, thirdly you know nothing about my business, and I’d really like my **DOG** back!!”

Sent in by SAM BAWDEN (Bristol Ball-istics)

TRAINING & EDUCATION

Judging procedures, with extracts from the rules and policies.

5.5 Judges

(a) Five judges shall officiate when two teams are running.

Box Judge times two, one in each lane. Line Judges times two, one in each lane. A Judge for the Division overseeing the proceedings.

(b) One judge shall be positioned at each team's starting line, facing each other. Two Judges are to be located at the box end, with a good view of the box loader, but not standing so as to interfere with, or distract the dog. A fifth judge shall act as starter, head judge and referee.

(c) The Box Judges and Line Judges shall remain stationary during each heat; if a ball goes around or bounces off a judge, it shall be deemed in play. The principle responsibility of each Box Judge and each Line Judge is to watch for violations in the racing lane to which they are assigned.

The Box Judge should signal any faults seen, not only at the box, but also aid the Line Judge. Box loaders enticing the dogs after the Divisional Judge has called the race to order (juggling the balls etc). Handing the ball to the dog, dogs not firing the box mechanism, run rounds, dropped balls. Box Loaders leaning over the box, and Box malfunctions these are some of the possible faults that need to be watched for, are by no means all.

The line Judge has the lights as an aid, but they do not replace the Line Judge. They should remain observant at all times, they will at some point be called upon to help the Divisional Judge make a Judgement based upon what they have seen. They should look out for false start faults, change over faults, the winner by eye, run outs, the right dog re-runs, dropped balls, throwing of balls and toys, mishandling of dogs in the ring, and of course that the right height is set for the jump height. As well as any other racing violation. Recording the Teams time for the scribe when necessary. This is not a job for the inexperienced, this can be stressful and no-one should be forced to do this job against their will.

(d) The Head Judge (starter and referee) who will wear a Black & White Rosette provided by the BFA, shall be positioned between the racing lanes in an area between the start/finish line and lead dogs to start the heat. During the heat he/she should be in a position to observe the handlers for any violations. He/she shall maintain a consistent sequence for electronic starting. When starting manually, the Head Judge shall maintain a consistent cadence of approximately 1-second intervals throughout the tournament and he/she should be in a position to assist the Line Judges in determining winners of close heats. He/she should always confer with the Line Judges and the Box Judges before determining a winner. If necessary, a Head Judge shall reposition himself/herself in such a manner as not to distract the dogs competing.

(e) Judges shall indicate with a signal which dogs must re-run. It is the handler's responsibility to note the signal and re-run his/her dog. If it is necessary to stop a heat, the Judge shall use a whistle.

The Divisional Judge is required to oversee all of the mentioned and more, watching up the lane, at the Box and Line Judges, watching the lights and for fault signals, and behind them!!!!!! So if you see a problem please take it up with them first, help them to do their job.

The scribe should assist the line Judge, ring the dogs running in that heat, check jump heights for that heat, record the times and win lose or tie on the time sheets.

There have been many occasions when people have been asked to do tasks that they do not fully understand, this will hopefully go some way to addressing that issue.

your committee news

Some points arising from the Committee Meeting held on 17th March 2002

TRAINING & EDUCATION

The *First Contact Leaflet* is now available and will be issued to the Regional Representatives. This leaflet can be given to the general public, promoting initial interest and information on the BFA and Flyball. We also now have a *Getting Started Package*, this publication is an overview of the basics of Flyball and BFA Tournaments for new Teams joining the BFA. With these, the Committee are now in a position to support the Area Representatives. There is also a Show Organisers package on its way, to aid new Host Teams holding their first Tournaments

BFA STICKERS are available from the Shooting Stars Flyball Team.

JUDGES SEMINARS

Thanks were given to Anton Wittwer for providing the Venue and for his involvement in the Petersfield Seminar. A future Seminar, probably in the Autumn, will also include an overview for Tournament Organisers as well as covering all facets of Line Judging, Box Judging, Scribing etc.

TOURNAMENTS

All Sanctioned Tournaments to be classified as one of the following:-

- Open*
- or Limited (to a number of Teams)*
- or Multibreed*
- or Limited Multibreed (to a number of Teams)*

HEAD JUDGES

Applications to become Head Judges, received from June Bass, Alison Booth, Sam Bawden and Betty Potts were reviewed and approved.

SUMMER CHAMPIONSHIPS – 2002

The four dates and venues to comprise the Summer Championships were finalised as:

<i>May 25th/26th</i>	<i>York</i>
<i>June 15th/16th</i>	<i>Daventry</i>
<i>June 29th/30th</i>	<i>Newbury</i>
<i>August 10th/11th</i>	<i>Sharnford</i>

The best three Points scores for places at each Tournament to count towards placings.

Tied final placings to be decided by:

- A Run-off (if teams available).
- or* the Faster Time recorded by the tied teams during the Championship.
- or* the Toss of a coin.



I was at the cinema last week when a chap sat in front of me with his Collie. It sat very quietly. Then I noticed at the sad bits it started to cry and then at the funny bits it was laughing. At the end of the film I approached the collies' owner and remarked on how surprised I was at the emotion the dog had shown. "I was surprised too", said the owner *"he hated the book"*.



THE BRITISH FLYBALL ASSOCIATION ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Held at
Beoley, Worcs on Sunday 7th April 2002

Thanks to Anne Johnson and the Wolf Pack for their excellent choice of venue and the brilliant lunch they set before us. Sixty nine members attended and for those who couldn't make it, the minutes will be available on our Web Site or you can get them from the B.F.A. secretary. For those who were there, I think you will agree that our hard working Committee are leading us forward with great purpose as our British Flyball Association expands.

The most contentious discussion was over the proposal to revert to the maximum Jump Height of 16". The deliberation for and against was enthusiastic and many valid points were raised on both sides. Never the less, the rule remains unchanged with the maximum Jump Height at 14". (At least for another year).

After all the proposals were discussed and voted upon only one **Rule Change** was deemed necessary:- **Jumps**

Rule 5.13 (c) requires the addition of the words '**this height to include any protective material**'.

It was a very pleasant, friendly A.G.M., the weather was good and both handlers and dogs enjoyed the very adequate exercise area.

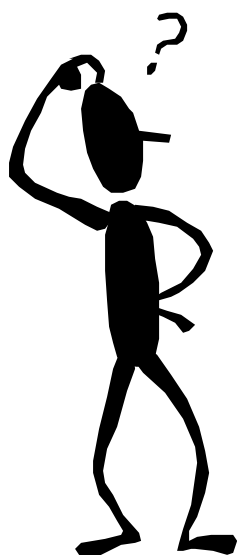
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THE B.F.A. COMMITTEE 2002-2003

Chairman	Roy Hiscock	(Mad Mutts)
Secretary	Graham Nye	(Maple Leafs)
Treasurer	Robert Henshall	(Bassett Allsorts)
Show Secretary	Alison Booth	(Wakefield Tykes)
	Andy Bawden	(Bristol Ball-istics)
	David Long	(Nuneaton Flyers)
	Betty Potts	(Yorkshire Bouncers)
	Peter Roberts	(PODS)
	Doreen Smith	(The Northern Bytes)

OTHER OFFICERS

Regional Representative Co-ordinator	Vanessa Haith
Record & Statistics Co-ordinator	Maureen Hiscock
Statistics Co-ordinator's Assistant	Anne Johnson
Editor – Flyball Record	Jean Meeking
Awards Secretary	Sam Bawden



A comment overheard from a team who had won the first two heats but managed to lose the race.

“How to seize defeat from the jaws of victory”.

Don't we all know that one!!!

THE 2001 ANNUAL AWARDS

Team of the Year	1 st	Barkshire Bandits		24,404 pts
	2 nd	The Northern Bytes		22,944 pts
	3 rd	The Mega Bytes		20,058 pts
BFA Special Award		The Northern Bytes		
Flyball Dog of the Year	1 st	Tyson	Sue Goddard	7,386 pts
	2 nd	Mork	Doreen Smith	7,285 pts
	3 rd	Tex	Peter Sleath	6,830 pts
Flyball Bitch of the Year	1 st	Mistie	Theresa Chamberlain	7,951 pts
	2 nd	Ellie	Penny Charlton	7,808 pts
	3 rd	Tara	Sue Allen	6,983 pts
Best Breed Specific Border Collie/ Working Sheepdog	1 st	Mistie	Theresa Chamberlain	7,951 pts
	2 nd	Mork	Doreen Smith	7,285 pts
	3 rd	Tara	Sue Allen	6,983 pts
Best Cross Breed	1 st	Ellie	Penny Charlton	7,808 pts
	2 nd	Tyson	Sue Goddard	7,386 pts
	3 rd	Tex	Peter Sleath	6,830 pts
Best Breed Specific Jack Russell Terrier	1 st	Bobby	Claire Gristwood	3,850 pts
	2 nd	Milo	Nicola Jackson	2,644 pts
	3 rd	Binnie	Lorraine Fulford	2,643 pts
Best Breed Specific Labrador	1 st	Charlie	Christine Redfearn	3,268 pts
	2 nd	BJ	Christine Redfearn	1,596 pts
	3 rd	TJ	Daniella Mann	1,489 pts
Best Breed Specific Spanish Water Dogs	1 st	Bonita	Faye Allen	6,862 pts
	2 nd	Azor	Faye Allen	1,871 pts
	3 rd	Bramble	Kay Burrows	814 pts
Best Breed Specific English Springer Spaniel	1 st	Jed	Carolyn Higginson	2,115 pts
	2 nd	Spike	Nicky Stedman	1,592 pts
	3 rd	Roo	Vanessa Haith	1,186 pts
Best of the Rest		Jazz	Alison Booth	1,298 pts
Most Improved Team of the Year		Sheffield Speeders		

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

For the second year running a big thank you to all members who sent in their 1st April renewals early as this has eased the administrative load considerably

A reminder to those who may have overlooked their renewal that, by the time you read these notes, it will cost them an extra £2.50 to re-join. Failure to include this joining/re-joining fee continues to be the single most frequent cause of delay in the processing of new and lapsed renewal membership applications.

PRIMARY TEAM RENEWALS

A reminder to Primary Team Captains that failure to pay the £2.00 fee to retain their place on the Tournament Schedule List may result in their not being sent Show Schedules from **May** onwards.

Thank you for your co-operation.

GRAHAM NYE Telephone: 01730 828269 E-mail: secretary@flyball.org.uk

NEWARK RESULTS – 10th February 2002

DIVISION ONE – Judge Roy Hiscock

1 st	Barkshire Bandits	17.92
2 nd	PODlets	18.25
3 rd	Nuneaton Flyers	18.91
4 th	Dodgers	19.07
5 th	Sheffield Speeders	19.08
6 th	Rapidz	19.44

DIVISION TWO – Judge Neil Meeking

1 st	Wolf Pack	19.12
2 nd	Mad Mutts	18.67
3 rd	Barkshire Bullets	19.49
4 th	The Northern Bytes	20.49
5 th	Nuneaton Bees	19.34
6 th	Bristol Ball-istics	19.34

DIVISION THREE – Judge Doreen Smith

1 st	PODsters	19.20
2 nd	Wakefield Tykes	19.24
3 rd	Phoenix Flashbacks	19.41
4 th	Lincolnshire Leapers	19.55
5 th	Blackpool Super Nova	19.99

DIVISION FOUR– Judge Penny Charlton

1 st	PODlers	20.47
2 nd	Wellingboro' Red Wellies	19.61
3 rd	Fylde Rollercoasters	20.94
4 th	Border Patrol (UK)	20.43
5 th	The Killa Bytes	21.58

DIVISION FIVE – Judge Betty Potts

1 st	Bristol Ball-istics Missiles	21.54
2 nd	Scallywags	21.20
3 rd	Barkshire Bandidos	20.74
4 th	Wakefield Terrortykes	21.60
5 th	Fun 4 Mutts	23.00

DIVISION SIX – Judge Sam Bawden

1 st	Wolverines	22.76
2 nd	Border Crossing	22.72
3 rd	Yorkshire Bouncers	24.29
4 th	Fylde Coasters	24.32
5 th	Nuneaton Cyclone	26.50

FIRST AND LAST ???

As a result of the problems everyone had in finding training premises during the 'Foot & Mouth' outbreak, we were delighted to find what looked to be a really good venue, at an acceptable price and reasonable size. It came complete with a rubber matting floor as a bonus. The training went well, so naturally the next question was "is it big enough to put on a Tournament?". After several sessions with a tape measure it was decided it was – just, provided you didn't need a forty-five foot run in, Mad Mutts, Mo, would just have to start her dog from the Gents' loo.

Consequently the Show date was sanctioned we booked the venue, and all appeared well. Then just before Christmas we started to notice a problem with the floor that hadn't been there before; it was damp and very slippery even on the rubber. We thought the floor had been washed just before we arrived and assumed it to be a one off.

We had a break from training over Christmas but when we returned the problem was still there. The rubber flooring seemed to be sweating. Obviously we started to become concerned, but assumed once the race matting was down all would be well. We collected some underlay and matting two weeks before the show and decided to make up a race lane to make sure all was well. It was an absolute disaster! Even with the rubber and underlay on top of the flooring it was so damp, dogs and handlers were sliding everywhere. It was more like Holiday On Ice than Flyball!! Needless to say everyone had private thoughts but with only fourteen days to go no-one dare say "we can't race here".

The next day, the people involved started to 'phone each other with their misgivings, and a panic meeting was arranged for Monday night. We agreed we could not race in safety so we had three options; (1) Cancel (2) Postpone and find another venue (3) Try to find another site in ten days.

So we did what all Flyballers do when they are in a mess... phone the PODS. We came up with a hall at Newark, so then began the problems of re-arranging everything to the new venue. So yet again we had to contact all the teams by phone (by this time Stuart, Pam's husband is going into shock, anticipating his next phone bill), and we split the phone calls to save Pam's marriage. Everyone we called was very understanding. We only had three teams cancel because of the change. Friday & Saturday was spent transporting fencing, matting, tables and chairs up to Newark. The PODS and Yorkshire Bouncers supplying the rubber. On Saturday afternoon we found we were still short of rubber so yet again 'phone the PODS, (is there nothing this team can't sort out for you?). Eventually everything was set up and Sunday dawned, too late to cancel now.

We hope everyone enjoyed the racing, we would like to apologise for all the things we got wrong, and to extend a big thanks to all who helped us to get it right, both before and during the Tournament.

Will there be another Nuneaton Flyers Indoor Tournament next year? Ask us later!!!!

THE NUNEATON FLYERS TEAMS

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### PETERSFIELD RESULTS - 10<sup>th</sup> February 2002

#### DIVISION ONE – Judge Nicola Jackson

|                 |                   |       |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Back on Track     | 17.36 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | The Jumping Jacks | 18.93 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Bad Dog Meecos    | 18.04 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Whinchats         | 19.11 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Bassett Hotdogs   | 19.36 |

#### DIVISION TWO – Judge Adrian Gibbs

|                 |                     |       |
|-----------------|---------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Penant's Multi Paws | 18.84 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Buccaneers          | 18.96 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | K9ers               | 19.63 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Ball Busters        | 21.15 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Cracker Jacks       | 20.78 |

#### DIVISION THREE – Judge Derek Daniel

|                 |                           |       |
|-----------------|---------------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Bassett Allsorts          | 20.36 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Melton Striders           | 21.04 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Malvern Missile Launchers | 21.10 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | The Knights               | 21.49 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Chitchats                 | 21.46 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Stonechats                | 21.83 |

### PETERSFIELD RESULTS –17<sup>th</sup> March 2002

#### DIVISION ONE – Judge Steve Whatley

|                 |                   |       |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Back on Track     | 17.23 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Barkshire Bandits | 17.94 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Bad Dog Meecos    | 18.48 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Bassett Hotdogs   | 18.30 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | The Jumping Jacks | 18.33 |

#### DIVISION TWO – Judge Chris Fulford

|                 |                   |       |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Whinchats         | 18.77 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Penant's Pack     | 18.65 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Wolf Pack         | 18.77 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Buccaneers        | 18.86 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Barkshire Bullets | 18.74 |

#### DIVISION THREE – Judge Anton Wittwer

|                 |                  |       |
|-----------------|------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Bad Dog Mixture  | 19.22 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | K9ers            | 19.55 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Springbok's      | 20.69 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Bassett Allsorts | 20.49 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Stonechats       | 20.83 |

#### DIVISION FOUR – Judge Gwain Theobald

|                 |                           |       |
|-----------------|---------------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Cracker Jacks             | 20.79 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Chitchats                 | 21.63 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Malvern Missile Launchers | 21.18 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Ball Busters              | 21.25 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | The Knights               | 20.57 |

# MARKET HARBOROUGH RESULTS

**SATURDAY 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2002**

## DIVISION ONE – Judge Sam Bawden

|                 |           |       |
|-----------------|-----------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Wolf Pack | 18.66 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | PODlings  | 18.61 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Dodgers   | 19.24 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Mad Mutts | 18.93 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | PODsters  | 19.36 |

## DIVISION TWO – Judge Val Currie

|                 |                        |       |
|-----------------|------------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Pawzitiff Pawz         | 18.79 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Greetland Grasshoppers | 19.34 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Bristol Ballistics     | 19.01 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | W'borough Red Wellies  | 19.55 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Flying Colours         | 19.88 |

## DIVISION THREE – Judge Howard Campbell

|                 |                 |       |
|-----------------|-----------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Maple Leafs     | 20.39 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Running 4 Mutts | 20.10 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Northern Bytes  | 20.72 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | PODlers         | 20.34 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Live Wires      | 20.23 |

## DIVISION FOUR – Judge Maria Brennan

|                 |                             |       |
|-----------------|-----------------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | The Knights                 | 21.53 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Brat Pack                   | 21.96 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Killa Bytes                 | 22.16 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Wizzers of Ouse             | 22.86 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Bristol Ball-istic Missiles | 23.14 |

## DIVISION FIVE – Judge Doreen Smith



|                 |                     |       |
|-----------------|---------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Greedy Grasshoppers | 22.08 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Wolverines          | 22.71 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Fun 4 Mutts         | 24.59 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Wired 4 Action      | 23.23 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Yorkshire Bouncers  | 24.40 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Wolf Cubs           | 27.80 |



**SUNDAY 24<sup>th</sup> March 2002**

## DIVISION ONE – Judge Sam Bawden

|                 |                    |       |
|-----------------|--------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | PODS               | 17.71 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Barkshire Bandits  | 17.94 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Melton Rovers      | 18.24 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Sheffield Speeders | 19.18 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Nuneaton Flyers    | 18.32 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Rapidz             | 19.09 |

## DIVISION TWO – Judge Andy Bawden

|                 |                      |       |
|-----------------|----------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Wakefield Tykes      | 19.04 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Nuneaton Bees        | 19.43 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Blackpool Super Nova | 19.55 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Lincolnshire Leapers | 20.30 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Barkshire Bullets    | 19.95 |

## DIVISION THREE – Judge Robert Allen

|                 |                      |       |
|-----------------|----------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Barkshire Bandidos   | 20.41 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Bassett Allsorts     | 20.18 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Fylde Rollercoasters | 20.38 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Border Patrol (UK)   | 22.12 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Melton Foxes         | 21.55 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Scallywags           | 21.76 |

## DIVISION FOUR – Judge Penny Charlton

|                 |                       |       |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Wakefield Terrortykes | 20.73 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Nuneaton Dodgers      | 21.13 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Border Crossing       | 22.22 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Sheffield Sprinters   | 21.70 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Nuneaton Cyclones     | 24.59 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Rapidz Responz        | 23.24 |

## **JUDGES REPORTS MARKET HARBOROUGH - 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2002**

It has been some time since I did any judging so I was a little nervous, especially as I was judging Division Two. I needn't have worried. I would like to thank all the teams for hassle free racing, in such a pleasant atmosphere. We had some really close and exciting racing which ended with a three

way run-off, for the first three places. Pawzitiff Pawz pulled out all the stops winning both their run-offs, with Greetland Grasshoppers in second place and Bristol Ball-istics third.

One of the pleasures of the day was little Gertie from the Red Wellies, who was determined to get in as much racing as possible and show she could go over the big jumps. She managed to do three runs (in at least two heats!), twice down her own lane and once down the opposition's, but there was no interference as she ran last dog.

It was also good to see Howard running a dog for the first time, he reminded me of myself in my early days (not so very long ago) making sure both his dog and the rest of the team were really ready.

My thanks also go to the line judges and scribes and to the PODS for asking me to judge. I did enjoy it.

VAL CURRIE (PODS)

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Another back to back Tournament run by the PODS in the last of the Winter League Series. Again well attended with five Divisions on the Saturday. I judged Division Three, assisted Maria with Division Four and Sam, Val and Doreen judged the others.

My Division was very closely contested with some excellent racing and close results. The Maple Leafs turned out to be the eventual winners having won three races, the same as the Running 4 Mutts, but the race between these two was very close, the Maple Leafs just edging it by three heats to two. Another team worthy of note was the Northern Bytes. I was impressed with the speed of the first three dogs which built up a lead for the anchor dog 'Rosie' the Yorkshire Terrier who ran her socks off to beat the PODlers, three heats to two. Overall on the day they finished with a fastest time of 20.72 and in third place. **Well Done.** The PODlers and the Live Wires both managed to win one race each to finish fourth & fifth respectively.

Another splendid day's racing by all the Divisions and again just a word of thanks to the unsung heroes of Tournaments, the line judges, scribes and box judges and not least the PODS for putting on yet another great weekend of racing.

**HOWARD CAMPBELL** (*Head Judge, Greetland Grasshoppers*)

**CONGRATULATIONS**  
**JACKIE CAMPBELL & FERN**  
**ON GAINING YOUR SILVER AWARD**

# From all the Greetland Grasshoppers

# FLYBALL FORUM

The Flyball Forum on the BFA Website has really taken off. Consequently, there is far too much on it for inclusion here also some of the items were discussed at the AGM. The following contributions give a flavour of the topics of discussion over the past couple of months.

## **Scheduling of Divisions at Competitions**

We like the format where our team competes on one day - usually 2 or 3 races in the morning and the rest in the afternoon. However where there are large entries this means a long day - especially if we're not staying overnight. Pleasant enough in summer but not so good in winter. Is the racing schedule up to the organising club or is the splitting of the divisions part of the competition rules? It would be great to run off 3 divisions in the morning (still splitting the races as at present). I'm sure this must have been raised before - but we're fairly recently formed.

**George Hubball**

## **Judges and rules**

I read with interest about the fact that some think we should come into line with NAFA over racing rules and that there seems to be a grey area over whether some Judges are clear about certain rules.

I haven't judged now for some months, however 2 items worthy of comment, NAFA Judges earn their right to judge and it is quite an achievement to become a fully qualified NAFA head judge. The BFA is a friendly organisation keen to promote flyball and encourage others. Unfortunately this sometimes conflicts with the role of Judging, my line always was and still is today firm but fair, it's not a popularity contest and as a Head Judge you are the BFA's representative and overseer at the event, in short the buck stops with you.

I would encourage any "anomalies" in Judging to be reported to the BFA committee at the earliest opportunity, so as they can take corrective action, I don't mean that disciplinary action is always required. A quiet word to steer our young Judges on the right path may be all it needs, but we as an organisation need to have confidence in our Judges and officials before we look to being up there with other prominent flyballing nations when it comes to rules and regulations.

Just my 2 pennies worth.

**Nigel Bouckley**

## **Assist new teams**

As a fairly newcomer into the wonderful world of Flyball - may I respectfully make a suggestion which could assist for new teams for the future?

The impression I have from the many Flyballers I have spoken to - is that there is a lack of knowledge about what is involved with helping at a show. This can create a feeling of fear of making a fool of oneself! (Mind you - isn't that a pre-requisite for Flyballers?!)

Anyway - my point is - when new teams are formed - they have usually been infected by an experienced Flyballer. What about - if - at this point - it was explained to them that Flyball is a "self-help" sport and that there is much more to it than just turning up and running your dog/s. Learning how to Line and Box judge and Scribe could be part of the training programme and - if done at this stage - should be quite easily absorbed and allay any fears the newcomers might have about their ability to be useful?

We were lucky - we were 'brung up proper' by Aunty Doreen from the Northern Bytes (thank you Doreen) - and we all understood from Day One that the best way to enjoy this brilliant game - is to become fully involved in it.

For existing teams - what about a note to go out with schedules - just detailing very briefly what each job involves? We're only talking 4 main roles (Judge, Line and Box Judge and Scribe) - and if more people were familiar with the roles - perhaps they would be more willing to become more involved and REALLY enjoy Flyball?!!

**Maria Brennan**

The above contributions come from the BFA Web Site, where they can be found within the Flyball Forum Section of the Discussion Board.

If you wish to be part of the discussion, you can post your contribution to me, email me or post direct to the Web Discussion page in the Flyball Forum section. These items will appear in the next edition of The Flyball Record (space permitting). However, both the editor and myself reserve the right to edit or withhold items if they contain material, which is likely to offend. Please remember that some people find it difficult to express their opinions publicly. If this Forum is to contain the full range of opinion within the BFA then it is important that we respect other people's points of view even when we disagree, and that we phrase that disagreement politely and constructively. But please, if you have an opinion about anything to do with Flyball, contribute to the ongoing discussions or start one of your own, as open discussion can only be good for the game.

Contributions can be sent to:

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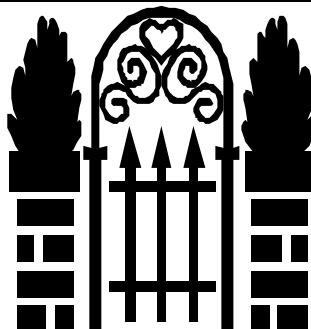
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*Somewhere a little dog doth wait;  
It may be by some garden gate.  
With eyes alert and tail attent –  
You know the kind of tail that's meant -  
With stores of yelps of glad delight  
To bid me welcome home at night*

-John Kendrick Bangs



# THAME RESULTS – 30/31<sup>st</sup> March & 1<sup>st</sup> April

## DIVISION ONE – Judge Steve Whatley

|                 |                   |       |
|-----------------|-------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Back on Track     | 17.22 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Melton Rovers     | 18.63 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | The Jumping Jacks | 18.74 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Bassett Hotdogs   | 19.16 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Bad Dog Meecos    | 18.61 |

## DIVISION TWO – Judge Andrew Foster

|                 |               |       |
|-----------------|---------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Wolf Pack     | 19.30 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Dodgers       | 19.69 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Buccaneers    | 19.41 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | K9ers         | 20.00 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Penant's Pack | NFC   |

## DIVISION THREE – Judge Chris Fulford

|                 |                            |       |
|-----------------|----------------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Wellingborough Red Wellies | 20.10 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Springbok's                | 20.19 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Bassett Allsorts           | 22.19 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Cracker Jacks              | 21.09 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Melton Foxes               | 22.14 |

## DIVISION FOUR – Judge Gwain Theobald

|                 |                           |       |
|-----------------|---------------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Malvern Missile Launchers | 21.34 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Melton B's                | 24.21 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Wolverines                | 27.19 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Malvern Maverick Missiles | NFC   |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Ball Dozers               | NFC   |

## MULTI BREED DIVISION ONE – Judge Nicola Jackson



|                 |                     |       |
|-----------------|---------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Penant's Multi Paws | 18.20 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Multi Jumping Jacks | 18.85 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Multi Cracker Jacks | 21.41 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Bad Dog Mixture     | 19.32 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | White Knights       | NFC   |



# THAME COUNTRY SHOW

The start of another busy season for Modern Dog Sports. After a bad start to the week with stolen equipment and caravans the show looked a no go, but with a little bit of luck, a lot of hard work and some good friends, Anton managed to put together a great first show.

There was some brilliant Division One racing with Back on Track improving on their time and performing a fantastic 17.22 on what seemed slow ground. Melton Rovers came Second. Jumping Jacks running well finished in Third place with three Belgium handlers running the dogs, better than the usual handlers. Division Three ran smoothly with some close racing between all the teams. Added to the good weather this made the first day a success.

Day two and the weather had taken a turn for the worse, but we still had good racing in Division Two and the Division Four judge, Gwain, wishing he hadn't had so many beers in the club the night before. The day finished off with Mini Cleverdogs and Pairs Cleverdogs. The standard this year seems very high and we should see some very competitive racing throughout the year with some new dogs and handlers joining this popular competition.

Monday, with the good weather returning, we had a very close Multi Breed competition with Penant's Multi Paws taking the current British Multi Breed record of 18.35 from the Multi Jets, with an 18.29, closely followed by the Multi Jumping Jacks with their 18.80. These teams will be battling it out through the year so we could see the record broken several more times. This final day finished with Mini-Maxi pairs, won by the notorious William & Wicca, with a time of 8.79. One win under their belt towards winning the famous Barney & Dino Trophy. In the mixed pairs, Foxy & Donkey beat Tykie & Bleach to the First place points. With some fast pairs in this event there should be a good battle for the Jet Trophy this year.

The Cleverdogs finals were fantastic with close racing through all the divisions ending with Champion Dizzy completing in under 15 seconds and racing off to win Division One. If Dizzy wins this year's Trophy it will become the Dizzy Trophy. ABC Cleverdogs was won by Belgium Shepherd, Toastie, after a change of handler due to injury. Gwain and Toastie managed to complete the course in under 17 seconds.

At the end of a tiring weekend we finished off with a gathering in the evening to say farewell to our Belgium friends who had enjoyed racing their dogs and racing our dogs for us. The Jumping Jacks wouldn't have had a team without them. We will see them again in September but we must go home to recover, clear out our caravans and get training for the next Tournament.

## KATE (Jumping Jacks & MDS)

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### CARLTON TOWERS RESULTS – 30/31<sup>st</sup> March & 1<sup>st</sup> April 2002

#### DIVISION ONE – Judge Doreen Smith

|                 |                    |       |
|-----------------|--------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | PODS               | 17.52 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Barkshire Bandits  | 17.58 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Nuneaton Flyers    | 18.69 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | PODlins            | 18.69 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Sheffield Speeders | 18.87 |

#### DIVISION TWO – Judge Peter Roberts

|                 |                        |       |
|-----------------|------------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Rapidz                 | 18.50 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Greetland Grasshoppers | 18.81 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Wakefield Tykes        | 18.73 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Barkshire Bullets      | 19.34 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Nuneaton Bees          | 19.33 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Blackpool Super Nova   | 19.22 |

#### DIVISION THREE – Judge David Long

|                 |                       |       |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | PODlars               | 19.96 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Live Wires            | 20.36 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | The Northern Bytes    | 20.46 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Barkshire Bandidos    | 20.71 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Fylde Coasters        | 20.73 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Wakefield Terrortykes | 20.93 |

#### DIVISION FOUR – Judge Pamela Harrison

|                 |                     |       |
|-----------------|---------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Flying Colours      | 21.07 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Sheffield Sprinters | 21.46 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Springers           | 21.75 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Border Patrol (UK)  | 22.22 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | The Killa Bytes     | 22.06 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Whiterose Wagtails  | N.T.  |

#### DIVISION FIVE – Judge John Blackford

|                 |                     |       |
|-----------------|---------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Nuneaton Dodgers    | 21.36 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Crazy Cannons       | 22.43 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Munchers of Ouse    | 22.52 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Greedy Grasshoppers | 22.38 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Crazy Catapults     | 22.52 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Border Crossing     | 23.15 |

#### DIVISION SIX – Judge Neil Meeking

|                 |                    |       |
|-----------------|--------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Crazy Crossbows    | 21.58 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Nuneaton Cyclone   | 24.54 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Rapidz Responz     | 24.22 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Yorkshire Bouncers | 26.00 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Crazy Cadets       | 28.25 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Fylde Surfers      | N.T.  |

#### MULTIBREED - DIVISION ONE Judge Robert Allan

|                 |                    |       |
|-----------------|--------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Rapidz Sortz       | 20.13 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Tykes 57           | 19.90 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Fylde Pick 'n' Mix | 20.70 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Grasshoppers Multi | 21.38 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Yorkshire Mixture  | 28.25 |

Good weather, good venue, the first outdoor Tournament for most of us and brilliant competition throughout. Let's face it the dogs love running in the open air. Congratulations to the Yorkshire Bouncers for looking after us so well.

# CARLTON TOWERS TOURNAMENT

The Yorkshire Bouncers wish to thank all the people who made the Carlton Tournament such a success. It has been much commented on by the many visitors to the Game Fair with such comments as “That Flyball is great” & “ Best thing at the show”.

No tournament can be organised without the help and co-operation of a large number of people. This includes the host team, the visiting teams and all the friends and non-participating visitors. The great thing about flyball is the way that teams volunteer and help with a good grace when asked. The friendliness and sportsman like behaviour is the hallmark of the sport and makes it the envy of many others. We should also like to thank all those who in any way ensured that for once the weather was kind, as this was the icing on the cake.

BETTY POTTS Yorkshire Bouncers

***To put the record straight*** – The PODS are only the custodians of the electronic lights they take to Tournaments. The lights belong solely to the Tornadoes, who kindly allow us all to use them. To borrow them (with the PODS), host teams must have permission from Kevin McNicholas of the Tornadoes and pay their fee, just as the PODS do.

## A TOURNAMENT ORGANISERS LOT

After all the preparations too numerous to name and finally sending out the invitations the worst thing of all begins. To understand this, the uninitiated need to know that after the closing date, the entries (teams) are organised according to seed times. These may not always be available by this date as they only apply to the previous three months so not all teams have one. This means asking teams for declared times and then waiting for them to get back to you as some teams do not know. When this information is collected then the teams are arranged according to these times and divisions sorted out. In a two day tournament all teams cannot run on one day and which ever day the organiser chooses is bound not to suit everyone. The information is then sent out. If sent out too soon many have run again or got a new dog or some other crisis and wish to change their times. If sent out later participants want to know which day so that they can change their work pattern, arrange with grandma etc. etc.

***What is the nightmare of Organisers? Phone calls, phone calls, phone calls!***  
Bathroom visits become a luxury, hot food impossible. The usual request is the impossible to answer, which day are we running? Can it be changed? Can I change my times? It is not possible to please all of the people all of the time and in the matter of flyball, during this period of time, it feels as though it is not possible to please anyone any of the time!

***The consolation is*** - that this phase passes and a more balanced view emerges. All is forgiven and sanity returns. Flyball is such fun.

ANONY-MOUSE

# BARKSHIRE BANDITS 2001

As captain of the Barkshire Bandits I would like to thank all my members for their continued support and loyalty to Flyball. We have now been competing since 1996 and have seen a lot of changes and growth throughout our successful sport. Last year was a very hard but successful time for both of our teams. We entered about Twenty Three Tournaments, the hardest part being that the majority of the Shows were in the North.

I would like to Congratulate **Sue Goggard** with **Tyson** for achieving ***BFA Dog of the Year***, gaining 7386 points, a very close call with Mork from The Northern Bytes (well done to him). I would also like to Congratulate **Theresa Chamberlain** with **Mistie** for winning the ***BFA Bitch of the Year*** and ***Border Collie/Working Sheepdog of the Year*** gaining 7951 points. I would also like to mention my dog Ellie who won the ***BFA Crossbreed of the Year*** award gaining 7808 points and runs as height dog for our second team, the Barkshire Bullets. Lastly, I would like to congratulate the Bandits for achieving ***BFA Team of the Year***, the second time in three years.

Our success didn't end there, as the Bandits came joint winners, with the PODS, in the Summer Championship. They have given us very close and exciting racing. Long may it continue and hopefully we will get the better of them this year. We also managed to win the Modern Dog Sports UK National Team Trophy and came second in the Technical Challenge with our fastest ever time of 17.51 seconds.

I would like to end with a short poem that Penny Laver wrote for me at Christmas.

**PENNY CHARLTON**

## **ODE TO THE BARKSHIRE BANDITS**

**Obergruppen Further Charlton runs the team, with a rod of iron and a head of steam.  
She makes us travel countrywide, to prove to the PODS we're a better side.**

**Our first team, what a winning crew, Oscar, Mistie, Taylor, Tyson and Alice too,  
They are pure delight to watch when changeover perfect without a botch.**

**They have often beaten the very best, though sometimes it's been quite a test.  
When the going's tough we bring in the gobs, that's Gail and Penny the Bandit jobs.**

**The Bullets are the second team, too good for their opponents it would seem.  
They speedily clear every jump but in the first division they get the hump.**

**The Bandidos are our third team, future success they will surely merit,  
With Jazz, Cassie, Gillie and Blue and Emmy the flying ferret.**

**Top points, top dogs, awards galore, even Anton Wittwer knows the score,  
It's thanks to you Penny we wear the crown, but it doesn't keep our phone bill down.**

## ===== SO SAD =====

We sadly lost one of our dogs over the Christmas and New Year period. Molly, was one of our first team dogs, she was the black & white bitch who always started our team in every race. She had raced in Flyball for a number of years and was part of the original Rocketeers team. She loved the sport so much, you could see it in her face.

Her death came as a great shock, not only to ourselves and family but also to the team as a whole. Molly was only seven years old and still had much to offer so her death was even harder to come to terms with. She was her usual mad self until Boxing Day of last year when she just seemed to be 'under the weather'. Soon after she had a slight head tilt and her balance was upset. We took her to our Vet who first thought she had an inner ear infection and after the usual anti-biotic and anti-inflammatory injections and tablets she seemed to be on the mend.

But then, things went from bad to worse as Molly's condition deteriorated very quickly. Her balance had gone and she struggled to understand what was going on around her. Having been taken back to the Vet and hospitalised it was decided she needed to be referred to a specialist on the Wirral for an MRI brain scan. We took her straight there and endured a terrible few days waiting for the test results. We visited Molly everyday but her condition was very poor, having to be on a drip and fed through a tube in her throat.

The result of the scan showed she had numerous brain tumours as a result of cancer. Treatment was impossible and Molly was put to sleep. Our other two dogs who race in the first team, Kelly, the tri- colour bitch and Joey, the red and white dog, miss her very much. Molly was always top dog around the house and the leader of adventures when out on walks.

I would like to thank the Rocketeers team, particularly Sean Whittaker for running her in training and at shows. Now we are just about coming to terms with her death we will hopefully be able to come to the Tournaments in the near future as ourselves and the team find our feet again.

## **RICHARD HUGHES & SARAH CHAPMAN**

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## ===== ANOTHER SAD PASSING =====

As dog owners, we all accept the inevitable – that our beloved pets won't live as long as us. However, we do look forward to ten, twelve or maybe more years with our friends. That makes losing them unexpectedly quickly and at a relatively young age so very, very hard. This has happened in spades to the Ball-istics.

Andy & Sam Bawden suffered the double tragedy of losing Spot and then Thornton. The one who nearly fulfilled her promise and the other who never got the chance.

Now, Edna & Ken Canby have lost Tango, their Flyballing Chesapeake Bay Retriever at the age of eight years. She was gone within five days of realising something was wrong, probably with a brain tumour. Many of you will remember her, most likely because of her persistent barking on the Start-line for the Bristol Ball-istic Missiles, barking which usually continued until she cleared the first hurdle!

It took the best part of two years to train Tango, she was terrified of the box, terrified of being held by anyone other than Ken or Edna. But, once the 'penny dropped', she loved Flyball and it really boosted her confidence.

All of the Bristol Ball-istics mourn the loss of Tango, Spot and Thornton and wish Edna & Ken good luck with their puppy, Tyne. Look out Ruff Stuff, word has it you'll soon have competition on the J.R.T. front!!

Post Script: Due to a heart murmur, Sam has decided to 'retire' Batty. We'll miss that wonderful throat-grabbing anxiety, waiting to see if this time she WILL go ALL the way up to the box via the hurdles and ALL the way back the same way!!

## **BOBBIE PERKINS**

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### **IF IT SHOULD BE**

If it be I grow frail and weak and pain should wake me from my sleep,  
Then you must do what must be done, for this last battle can't be won.

You will be sad – I understand – don't let your grief then stay your hand.  
For this day, more than all the rest, your love and friendship stand the test.

We've had so many happy years, what is to come will hold no fears.  
You'd not want me to suffer, so, when the time comes – please let me go.

Take me where my needs they'll tend, only stay with me till the end,  
And hold me firm and speak to me, until my eyes no longer see.

I know in time you too will see, it is a kindness you do me.  
Although my tail its last has waved, from pain and suffering I've been saved.

Do not grieve that it should be you, who has to decide this thing to do.  
We've been so close – we two – these years, don't let your heart hold any tears.

*by Bach & Offenbach*

## **CONDOLENCES**

**Our sincere sympathy goes to Christine Gardner and her husband Tony  
who lost their baby, Jessica May, in March 2002.**

**Although devastated by her loss, Christine, loyally supported her Team  
throughout the four days of Crufts. A very brave lady.**

## NEW MEMBERS

|                                |                          |                     |                    |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Pamela Fisher                  | Fylde Coasters           | Julie Wade          | Flying Colours     |
| Matthew Minich                 | Ouse                     | Julie Atkin         | Barkshire Bandits  |
| Lisa Ratcliffe                 | The Knights              | Jane Wright         | Fylde Coasters     |
| Susan & Roger Talbot           | Yorkshire Bouncers       | Joan Smailes        | Whinchats          |
| Catherine & Barrie Millett     | Melton Rovers            | Jenny Guest         | Crazy Cannons      |
| Adam Dixon                     | W'boro Red Wellies       | Hazel Kitching      | Crazy Cannons      |
| Paul Faulkner                  | W'boro Red Wellies       | Sarah James         | Mad Mutts          |
| Terry Bigg                     | W'boro Red Wellies       | Pauline Willmott    | Dino's Dynamics    |
| Beverley & John Proctor        | Border Patrol (UK)       | Emma McLaughlin     | Border Patrol (UK) |
| Catherine & Barry Rogers       | Dodgers                  | Natasha James       | Mad Mutts          |
| Eric & Roberta Beechey         | Yorkshire Bouncers       | Clare Butler        | Buccaneers         |
| Godfrey & Suzie Barrie         | Whinchats                | Vera Edge           | The Northern Bytes |
| Caroline & Angie Barrie        | Whinchats                | Hayley Titterington | Fylde Coasters     |
| Debbie & Natasha Derkacz       | Clatto Clangers          | Barbara Cowan       | Whiterose Wagtails |
| Jeanne Price                   | Bristol Ball-istics      | Kathryn Davidson    | Dino's Dynamics    |
| Sheila Vidler                  | Bad Dog Racers           | Helen Simpson       | Springers          |
| Adrienne Gannon                | Whiterose Wagtails       | Joanna Green        | Wolf Pack          |
| P A Hopkinson                  | Sheffield Speeders       | Louise Clark        | TBC                |
| Paula & Katie Merryman         | Sheffield Speeders       | Elaine Richardson   | Springers          |
| Christine & Michael Robson     | Sheffield Speeders       | Elizabeth Craik     | Cleddens Flyers    |
| Carolyn & Beth Madgwick        | The Knights              | Karen Hinkley       | The Knights        |
| Lydia & Kevin Brown            | Whiterose Wagtails       | Carla Banks         | Bad Dog Racers     |
| Michael, Richard, Jenny Kimber | The Knights              | Kathryn Babb        | Snatch 'n' Grab    |
| Debbie & Robin Holding         | Yorkshire Bouncers       | David Clarke        | Yorkshire Bouncers |
| Belinda & Jack Conran          | Snatch 'n' Grab          | Nicola Fleming      | Snatch 'n' Grab    |
| Ken & Margaret Rowland         | Fylde Coasters           | Kate Brazukas       | Crazy Cannons      |
| Angie & Tracy Jeffries         | Clatto Clangers          | April Williams      | Snatch 'n' Grab    |
| Linda & Malcolm Severs         | Underdogs                | Jeff Walton         | Snatch 'n' Grab    |
| Anne & Linda O'Gorman          | Underdogs                | Tom Green           | Snatch 'n' Grab    |
| Jenny & Alan Skinner           | Underdogs                | Jane & Andy Glew    | Underdogs          |
| Jim & Mark Steppie             | Clatto Clangers          | Sally Faulkner      | Clatto Clangers    |
| E C Preston                    | Blackpool Super Nova     | Stephen Evans       | PODS               |
| Susan & James Leyland          | Blackpool Super Nova     | Vanessa Averty      | PODS               |
| Sue Roylance                   | Blackpool Super Nova     | Gemma Hardiman      | Rapidz             |
| Dianne Atkinson                | Whiterose Wagtails       | Amy Collins         | Hillam Hot Dogs    |
| Eva Desmet                     | Penant's Paw Power       | Alan Mason          | Start-Rite Wizards |
| Susan Brabben                  | Lincolnshire Leapers     | Tracy Lorrigan      | Start-Rite Wizards |
| Samantha Purcell               | Blackpool Super Nova     | Melanie Freeston    | Springers          |
| Simon Cowley                   | Wellingboro' Red Wellies | Maureen Gladstone   | Nuneaton Flyers    |
| Carol Iliff                    | Wellingboro' Red Wellies | Julianno Iannetta   | Clatto Clangers    |
| Andy Moore                     | Blackpool Super Nova     | Leah Wragg          | The Jumping Jacks  |
| Mary Buchanan-Moore            | Blackpool Super Nova     | Jason Gardner       | The Jumping Jacks  |
| Stephen Vowles                 | Blackpool Super Nova     | Ann Irving          | Crazy Cannons      |
| Alan & Patricia Heaton         | Sheffield Speeders       | Aaron Whittam       | Whiterose Wagtails |

## NEW TEAMS

**Rapidz**   *Silver Rapidz*   *Spanish Rapidz*   *Rapidz Sortz*   *Rapidz Responz*

**Snatch 'n' Grab**

**Cleddens Flyers** **Underdogs**   *Underdogs Too*

**Hillam Hot Dogs**   *Hillam Hot Shots*   *Hillam Hot Rods*



# BUFFY'S STORY

Hi, my name is Buffy and my Mum says that I am a show dog. I started my career by qualifying for Crufts at my first Championship Show! Mum thought it was a fluke but when I qualified again and again at other Championship Shows she knew it was not.

In between doing this posh bit Mum used to take me to watch my big sister Mole train for Flyball. Then one day they let me have a go, and I did it!

Last year I went to Trafford Park to run in the Starters team. Well no one told me there was another team going up the other lane. As soon as I saw them, I ran over to join them! I am a sociable dog and like to meet new pals. It took six people to catch me because I was so excited. I wonder why Mum had such a red face.

Well, 7<sup>th</sup> February came and off we went down to the N.E.C. for Crufts 2002. When it was my turn I was in a class of Twenty Four other Beardies. We all had a turn at going round the ring on the green carpet. Then the judge picked some of us out to stand in a line. I came second and got a blue rosette.

Then came 23<sup>rd</sup> March, we picked up Alison and the Poodles to go Flyballing at Market Harborough. It was my first proper Tournament and I was running instead of Mole (she had a sore paw) in the Terror Tykes team. I think we did well because the team were cheering and we went home with red rosettes.

I hope we can do it again next week! Not bad for a first timer.

See you all soon

Love from **BUFFY & MOLE**, the Bearded Collies of **ANDREA PRICE** (Terror Tykes)

## BRISTOL'S FIRST FLYBALL TOURNAMENT

(Well nearly anyway)

THE Bristol Ball-istics are cordially inviting you to  
SAUL, SOUTH GLOUCESTERSHIRE  
ON 6<sup>TH</sup> & 7<sup>TH</sup> JULY

Close to Junction 13 of the M5. Plenty of room for camping.  
Round the clock toilets! What more could you ask for?

Contact Bobbie Perkins Tel. 0117 9831029

**SEE YOU THERE**



Smiling is infectious, you catch it like the flu.  
When someone smiled at me today, I started smiling too.  
I passed around the corner and someone saw my grin  
And when he smiled I realised I'd passed it on to him.  
I thought about that smile, then realized its worth,  
A single smile just like mine, could travel round the earth.  
So if you feel a smile begin, don't leave it undetected,  
Let's start an epidemic and get the world infected.



# WARRINGTON RESULTS – 14<sup>th</sup> April 2002

## DIVISION ONE – Judge Doreen Smith

|                 |                        |       |
|-----------------|------------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | PODS                   | 17.79 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Wolf Pack              | 18.87 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | PODsters               | 18.92 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Greetland Grasshoppers | 19.26 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Rapidz                 | 19.27 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Dodgers                | 19.60 |

## DIVISION THREE – Judge Maria Brennam

|                 |                     |       |
|-----------------|---------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Killa Bytes         | 21.36 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Greedy Grasshoppers | 22.16 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Rapidz Responz      | 23.05 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Wolverines          | 22.39 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Blackpool Quasars   | 24.12 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Thor Rovers         | 26.03 |

## DIVISION TWO – Judge Howard Campbell

|                 |                       |       |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | PODlers               | 20.09 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Live Wires            | 19.89 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Blackpool Super Nova  | 19.68 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | Fylde Roller Coasters | 20.35 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Flying Colours        | 20.62 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Northern Bytes        | 20.63 |

## STARTERS – Robert Allan & Diane Halsted

|                 |                      |       |
|-----------------|----------------------|-------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> | Fylde Allsorts       | 21.57 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> | Wires R'us           | 21.89 |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> | Baby Bytes           | 22.54 |
| 4 <sup>th</sup> | New Rapidz           | 25.75 |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> | Nova Next Generation | 24.17 |
| 6 <sup>th</sup> | Thors Raiders        | 25.71 |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> | Wanabee Colours      | 26.50 |
| 8 <sup>th</sup> | Novee Dodgers        | 31.88 |

As this was our first attempt at running a sanctioned event we were pleased to get through it without any major mishaps! After a glorious two weeks the weather decided to take a turn for the worse and by lunch we had some drizzle. The racing surface remained very firm however and we just had to move the lanes once in the afternoon, following completion of the starters competition.

We had managed to acquire a large ex-army tent which kept the tournament organisers and racing results dry and sheltered everyone from the cool north westerly wind. All the teams were also appreciative of the tasty refreshments provided by the food van we had hired.

Apart from the dull and cold weather and the PA system being unavailable for part of the day everything seemed to run smoothly. Eighteen Open Teams took part in Three Divisions and Eight Starter Teams in Two Divisions of four teams each. The top two teams in each of the starters divisions went on to race in a play off. First place in one division played second place in the other (and vice versa) in two semi-finals. This was followed by a third/fourth playoff between two losers. The two winning teams of Fylde Allsorts and Wires R'Us played in a very competitive and close fought final with Fylde Allsorts winning 2-1. There were some extremely promising starter teams and the top two or three teams had times that would not have been out of place in the Open Division Three competition.

In the Open events Division One and Three seedings worked out more-or-less to plan but Division Two had particularly close matches and the final results were totally unexpected. Many teams produced good times for so early in the season. Seven teams were very close to their seed times and four teams managed to lower their times. This means almost two thirds of teams who entered went away very satisfied with their times if not their overall positions.

**OVERALL** it was a good days racing with close fought competition. Thanks to all the teams who helped out as ring parties and to PODS for providing the additional equipment and helping us to set up the lanes bright and early on Sunday morning. Last but by no means least thanks to Doreen Smith as Head judge ably assisted by Howard Campbell and the other three judges who kept us all well and truly under control. Thanks to every team that came and I hope you enjoyed your day – maybe we will try another tournament in a few months time, after we've had a good rest !!

**ANNE ALCOCK**, *Tournament Organiser & Live Wires Team Manager.*

## JUDGES' REPORT - WARRINGTON 14<sup>th</sup> April 2002

The *first tournament* hosted by the **LIVE WIRES** Flyball Team did not produce any shocks, (excuse the pun). On the contrary it was a delightful day, well organised right down to the excellent location maps. The location itself was wonderful, plenty of space and flat and a Food Van was laid on, what more could you ask for.

The flyball racing itself was brilliant in all three divisions and there was even time for a few starter teams. A lot crammed into one day, but it all seemed to go like clockwork and finished around 7pm, with just a little light rain during the day.

*Maria* judged Division Three, *Doreen* Division One and I Judged Division Two. An excellent division, which contained the *Live Wires* themselves, whose dogs ran really well. It would have been only fitting if they had won this division on their own ground, however the competitive *PODlers* gate crashed the party and beat them into second place in a thrilling last race which went to two legs each before the *PODlers* finally clinched it. A great start to her flyball career by *Vanessa Averty* and her dog *Starsky* who came all the way from Anglesey to compete.

The Northern Bytes were also in this division, but alas, finished bottom of the pack, (not for the want of trying). I always seem to mention ***Rosie***, the Yorkshire Terrier, who nearly was no more as handler, Peter, threw her in between the outcoming ***Mork's*** feet as he came thundering out of the start gate. Only a nimble bit of side footing by the dog prevented poor *Rosie* being trod on and ***Peter's*** ears were ringing from a shrieking ***Doreen***. I also recall ***Rosie*** should have re-run but by the time she was out ***Tara*** had done the job for her, don't think that's allowed, ***Sue!***

All in all, I counted five races out of fifteen that went to five heats which shows how close the teams were. This tournament was first class and a credit to *Ann, Jeff and the Live Wires Team*. They obviously worked very hard to make this the success it truly was. Let's hope this has wetted their appetite for more in the future. **WELL DONE.**

HOWARD CAMPBELL (Head Judge - Greetland Grasshoppers)

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# CRACKER

Apologies for not writing in the last issue but being a 'Lambrini Girl' and what with Christmas, I missed the deadline. I really must attend less parties next year – my figure has suffered somewhat but hopefully not my speed. Mum has had me on a light diet, but let's face it with my physique and thick coat there is no visible difference. Naturally Mum has yet to discover my secret food supply.

Some of you might remember our house gained a canine in August. Nobody must want her because she is still with us and Mum says she's here to stay. I can't see the attraction myself – or the need for that matter. She comes to Flyball with the gang and has already run in one Starter competition (not every race) and dare I say it, seems to have potential, but I don't want her to know that. We at Flying Coloursville are still a small group, but Bramble has a new sister and Billy is going to have a sister – they could have had mine! Anyway, must dash, the governor is on the move. Take care.

CRACKER (nearly six)

p.s. Observation made by my Mum last year. Sometimes a pairs or singles competition would be held at a Tournament and often every entry got a certificate but Rosettes to the first three or four places would be nice. It's run as a competition and entry money is paid and the event is usually well supported. Well done to the teams who did reward the winners in this way.

Cheers

**SUE BLYTHE (Flying Colours)**

# Best of the Rest

I've never written a poem before; no poodle ever has,  
So here's a bit of history from black min. poodle, Jazz.  
But if it should get published, or mentioned on the news,  
You'd better call me "Eldese Lady Sings the Blues".

Kiera is my mother, a champion in our breed,  
Who sadly like her owner, has rather run to seed.  
So I must carry on the line, competing with the best,  
And with a little bit of luck, I might outshine the rest.

I have a host of talents, so  
The course of my career  
I like the shows, the  
But Alison, I have to say, I

it's very hard to know,  
now, which way should it go.  
prancing and holding head aloft,  
feel a little soft.

Obedience is better; you get  
The scent, the fetch and send  
The stays I'm not so fond of,  
And if that collie smirks again

to have a run,  
away, are always rather fun.  
as I have to stay in check,  
I'll have her by the neck.

Agility is one event, where I  
Tyres and slides and planks of  
But Alison, I get confused,  
One hundred miles an hour is the

could make my mark,  
wood, it really is a lark.  
should I go fast or slow,  
only speed I know.



Flyball is our best event, I've almost got it right,  
I even bring the ball back, (depending on the night).  
Jumping hurdles, catching balls, running at full speed,  
Friendly team mates in the Tykes, what more do we need.

But Alison, you are the boss, the choice is yours to make,  
I'll always try my best for you, whichever course we take.  
It's nice to win rosettes and shields, but on the days we fail,  
Remember we've got something you can't hang on a nail!

**JAZZ** (with help from Christine Norman)

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ANSWER TO THE 'Smiley Face' QUIZ IN THE FEBRUARY ISSUE WAS  
FALSE START

# THE B.F.A DIARY 2002

## Key

**Cl.D** = Closing date for entry    **ST** = Sanctioned Tournament    **Prs** = Pairs racing    **Sgl** = Singles Racing  
**MB** = Multi Breed    **Fun** = Fun Classes    **St.T** = Starter Teams    **Ltd** = Limited Entries

|                                           |                                                    |                     |                              |
|-------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------|------------------------------|
| <b>May 25/26<sup>th</sup></b>             | York Summer Championship                           | WAKEFIELD TYKES     | ST OPEN                      |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Alison Booth Tel. 01977 795156</i>    |                     | Cl.D – 2 <sup>nd</sup> May   |
| <b>June 1<sup>st</sup>/2<sup>nd</sup></b> | Sharnford, Leicestershire                          | NUNEATON FLYERS     | ST OPEN                      |
| <b>June 3<sup>rd</sup></b>                | Sharnford, Leicestershire                          |                     | ST MB                        |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Pamela Harrison Tel. 01827 707293</i> |                     | Cl.D – 18 <sup>th</sup> May  |
| <b>June 2/3<sup>rd</sup></b>              | Broadlands – Living Heritage                       | MODERN DOG SPORTS   | ST (Ltd 24 Teams)            |
| <b>June 4<sup>th</sup></b>                | Broadlands – Living Heritage                       |                     | ST MB                        |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Anton Wittwer Tel. 01730 266633</i>   |                     | Cl.D – 1 <sup>st</sup> May   |
| <b>June 15/16<sup>th</sup></b>            | Daventry Summer Championship                       | PODS                | ST OPEN                      |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Peter Roberts Tel. 01407 810610</i>   |                     | Cl.D – 13 <sup>th</sup> May  |
| <b>June 22/23<sup>rd</sup></b>            | Middlesex – Living Heritage                        | MODERN DOG SPORTS   | ST (Ltd 12 Teams)            |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Anton Wittwer Tel. 01730 266633</i>   |                     | Cl.D – 24 <sup>th</sup> May  |
| <b>June 22/23<sup>rd</sup></b>            | Trafford Water Park                                | NORTHERN BYTES      | ST OPEN                      |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Doreen Smith Tel. 0161 494 0787</i>   |                     | Cl.D – 21 <sup>st</sup> May  |
| <b>June 29/30<sup>th</sup></b>            | Newbury Summer Championship                        | BARKSHIRE BANDITS   | ST OPEN                      |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Penny Charlton Tel. 01753 620110</i>  |                     | Cl.D – 8 <sup>th</sup> May   |
| <b>July 6/7<sup>th</sup></b>              | Askham Bryan                                       | WAKEFIELD TYKES     | ST OPEN                      |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Alison Booth Tel. 01977 795156</i>    |                     | Cl.D – 15 <sup>th</sup> June |
| <b>July 6/7<sup>th</sup></b>              | Saul, Gloucestershire                              | BRISTOL BALL-ISTICS | ST OPEN                      |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Bobby Perkins Tel. 0117 9831029</i>   |                     | Cl.D - 8 <sup>th</sup> June  |
| <b>July 13/14<sup>th</sup></b>            | Melton Mowbray                                     | MELTON ROVERS       | ST OPEN                      |
|                                           | Contact – <i>June Bass Tel. 01664 500327</i>       |                     | Cl.D – 14 <sup>th</sup> June |
| <b>July 20/21<sup>st</sup></b>            | Mossend, Slough                                    | BARKSHIRE BANDITS   | ST OPEN                      |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Penny Charlton Tel. 01753 620110</i>  |                     | Cl.D – 1 <sup>st</sup> July  |
| <b>July 27<sup>th</sup></b>               | Anglesey Holiday Week                              | PODS                | ST MB                        |
| <b>July 28<sup>th</sup></b>               | Anglesey Holiday Week                              | PODS                | ST OPEN                      |
| <b>July 31<sup>st</sup></b>               | Anglesey Holiday Week                              | PODS                | ST OPEN                      |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Peter Roberts Tel. 01407 810610</i>   |                     | Cl.D – 27 <sup>th</sup> June |
| <b>August 3<sup>rd</sup></b>              | Trafford Water Park                                | NORTHERN BYTES      | ST (Ltd 30 Teams)            |
| <b>August 4<sup>th</sup></b>              | Trafford Water Park                                |                     | ST MB                        |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Doreen Smith Tel. 0161 494 0787</i>   |                     | Cl.D – 2 <sup>nd</sup> July  |
| <b>August 3/4<sup>th</sup></b>            | Nostell Priory–Living Heritage                     | MODERN DOG SPORTS   | ST (Ltd 24 Teams)            |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Anton Wittwer Tel. 01730 266633</i>   |                     | Cl.D – 1 <sup>st</sup> July  |
| <b>August 10/11<sup>th</sup></b>          | Sharnford                                          | NUNEATON FLYERS     | ST OPEN                      |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Pam Harrison Tel. 01827 707293</i>    |                     | Cl.D – 27 <sup>th</sup> July |
| <b>August 17/18<sup>th</sup></b>          | Dundee                                             | CLATTO CLANGERS     | ST OPEN                      |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Alison Moyes Tel. 01382 522509</i>    |                     | Cl.D – 27 <sup>th</sup> Jul  |
| <b>August 24/25<sup>th</sup></b>          | Measham – Living Heritage                          | MODERN DOG SPORTS   | ST OPEN                      |
| <b>August 26<sup>th</sup></b>             | Measham – Living Heritage                          |                     | ST MB                        |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Anton Wittwer Tel. 01730 266633</i>   |                     | Cl.D-26 <sup>th</sup> July   |
| <b>Sept. 7/8<sup>th</sup></b>             | Aston-by-Budworth                                  | NORTHERN BYTES      | ST OPEN                      |
|                                           | Contact – <i>Doreen Smith Tel. 0161 494 0787</i>   |                     |                              |
| <b>Sept. 21/22<sup>nd</sup></b>           | Eastnor Castle – Living Heritage                   | MODERN DOG SPORTS   | ST (Ltd 24 Teams)            |
| <b>Sept. 28/29<sup>th</sup></b>           | Blake Hall – Living Heritage                       | MODERN DOG SPORTS   | ST (Ltd 12 Teams)            |
| <b>Nov. 9/10<sup>th</sup></b>             | Petersfield                                        | MODERN DOG SPORTS   | ST (Ltd 24 Teams)            |
| <b>Dec. 7/8<sup>th</sup></b>              | Petersfield                                        | MODERN DOG SPORTS   | ST (Ltd 24 Teams)            |

**Would all Tournament Organisers please make sure they have approval from the Show Secretary before issuing Schedules.**

## Current Seed Times (Open) - as at 27-4-2002

| SEED | TEAM                     | TRN  | TIME  |
|------|--------------------------|------|-------|
| 1    | Back on Track            | 076D | 17.22 |
| 2    | PODS                     | 015  | 17.52 |
| 3    | Barkshire Bandits        | 017  | 17.58 |
| 4    | Wolf Pack                | 050  | 17.71 |
| 5    | Bad Dog Meecos           | 053A | 18.04 |
| 6    | Melton Rovers            | 035  | 18.24 |
| 7    | PODlets                  | 015A | 18.25 |
| 8    | Bassett Hotdogs          | 011B | 18.30 |
| 9    | Nuneaton Flyers          | 051  | 18.32 |
| 10   | The Jumping Jacks        | 022  | 18.33 |
| 11   | Rapidz                   | 082  | 18.50 |
| 12   | PODlings                 | 015D | 18.61 |
| 13   | Penant's Pack            | 076B | 18.65 |
| 14   | Mad Mutts                | 054  | 18.67 |
| 15   | Wakefield Tykes          | 046  | 18.73 |
| 16   | Barkshire Bullets        | 017C | 18.74 |
| 17   | Whinchats                | 030  | 18.77 |
| 18   | Pawsitiff Pawz           | 072  | 18.79 |
| 19   | Greetland Grasshoppers   | 055  | 18.81 |
| 20   | Buccaneers               | 025  | 18.86 |
| 21   | Sheffield Speeders       | 058  | 18.87 |
| 22   | PODsters                 | 015F | 18.92 |
| 23   | Bristol Ball-istics      | 018  | 19.01 |
| 24   | Blackpool Super Nova     | 063  | 19.22 |
| 25   | Dodgers                  | 078  | 19.24 |
| 26   | Nuneaton Bees            | 051A | 19.33 |
| 27   | Phoenix Flashbacks       | 056  | 19.41 |
| 28   | Wellingboro' Red Wellies | 067  | 19.55 |
| 29   | K9ers                    | 033  | 19.55 |
| 30   | Lincolnshire Leapers     | 062  | 19.55 |
| 31   | Test Valley Raiders      | 045  | 19.71 |
| 32   | Springbok's              | 008  | 19.78 |
| 33   | Flying Colours           | 064  | 19.88 |
| 34   | Live Wires               | 069  | 19.89 |
| 35   | PODlers                  | 015B | 19.96 |
| 36   | Running 4 Mutts          | 054A | 20.10 |
| 37   | Bassett Allsorts         | 011  | 20.18 |
| 38   | Fylde Rollercoasters     | 038A | 20.35 |
| 39   | Maple Leafs              | 049  | 20.39 |
| 40   | Berkshire Bandidos       | 017D | 20.41 |

| SEED | TEAM                        | TRN  | TIME  |
|------|-----------------------------|------|-------|
| 41   | Border Patrol (UK)          | 023  | 20.43 |
| 42   | The Northern Bytes          | 027  | 20.46 |
| 43   | The Knights                 | 036  | 20.57 |
| 44   | Melton Foxes                | 035B | 20.73 |
| 45   | Wakefield Terrortykes       | 046A | 20.73 |
| 46   | Fylde Coasters              | 038  | 20.73 |
| 47   | Cracker Jacks               | 022E | 20.78 |
| 48   | Stonechats                  | 030A | 20.83 |
| 49   | Ball Busters                | 043  | 20.94 |
| 50   | Melton Striders             | 035C | 21.04 |
| 51   | Malvern Missile Launchers   | 077A | 21.10 |
| 52   | Nuneaton Dodgers            | 051C | 21.13 |
| 53   | Sallywags                   | 059  | 21.20 |
| 54   | The Killa Bytes             | 027B | 21.36 |
| 55   | Sheffield Sprinters         | 058A | 21.46 |
| 56   | Chitchats                   | 030B | 21.46 |
| 57   | Bristol Ball-istic Missiles | 018B | 21.54 |
| 58   | Crazy Crossbows             | 081C | 21.58 |
| 59   | Springers                   | 041  | 21.75 |
| 60   | Brat Pack                   | 050A | 21.91 |
| 61   | Greedy Grasshoppers         | 055A | 22.08 |
| 62   | Border Crossing             | 023A | 22.22 |
| 63   | Wizzers of Ouse             | 065A | 22.34 |
| 64   | Wolverines                  | 050D | 22.39 |
| 65   | Crazy Cannons               | 081  | 22.43 |
| 66   | Crazy Catapults             | 081A | 22.52 |
| 67   | Munchers of Ouse            | 065B | 22.52 |
| 68   | Fun 4 Mutts                 | 054B | 23.00 |
| 69   | Rapidz Responz              | 082D | 23.05 |
| 70   | Silver Rapidz               | 082A | 23.05 |
| 71   | Wired 4 Action              | 069A | 23.23 |
| 72   | Melton B's                  | 035A | 23.68 |
| 73   | Blackpool Quasars           | 063B | 24.12 |
| 74   | Yorkshire Bouncers          | 052  | 24.29 |
| 75   | Fylde Surfers               | 038B | 24.32 |
| 76   | Wolf Cubs                   | 050E | 24.41 |
| 77   | Nuneaton Cyclones           | 051B | 24.54 |
| 78   | Thor's Raiders              | 070  | 26.03 |
| 79   | Crazy Cadets                | 081B | 28.25 |
|      |                             |      |       |

## MULTI BREED

|   |                     |      |       |
|---|---------------------|------|-------|
| 1 | Penant's Multi Paws | 076A | 18.20 |
| 2 | Multi Jumping Jacks | 022C | 18.85 |
| 3 | Bad Dog Mixture     | 053C | 19.22 |
| 4 | Tykes 57            | 046C | 19.90 |
| 5 | Rapidz Sortz        | 082C | 20.13 |

|   |                     |      |       |
|---|---------------------|------|-------|
| 6 | Fylde Pick 'n' Mix  | 038C | 20.70 |
| 7 | Grasshoppers Multi  | 055D | 21.38 |
| 8 | Multi Cracker Jacks | 022F | 21.41 |
| 9 | Yorkshire Mixture   | 052A | 28.15 |

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**May 25/26<sup>th</sup> - York**  
**June 15/16<sup>th</sup> – Daventry**  
**June 29/30<sup>th</sup> – Newbury**  
**August 10/11<sup>th</sup> – Sharnford**

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