

Report to Agility Liaison Council from the Activities Judges Sub-Group meeting held on 22 April 2021

Annual Seminar for Accredited Trainers

The office are looking to book Stoneleigh for the 2021 Annual Seminar in the autumn. For the agility trainers there will be a run through of the current two day seminar to help bring them back up to speed and ensure consistency of delivery of content.

Agility Competition Manager

The Sub-Group are of the opinion that there should be a minimum set criteria for the position of Competition Manager in agility.

There are regulations where the Competition Manager has to be involved in discussions with Judges over decisions on course safety, e.g. heavy rain, waterlogged ground, strong winds etc. and the removal of equipment. There are also issues raised by competitors over the suitability and safety of a course.

Due to the specialist knowledge agility trainers have it is suggested that when they are present at a show that should be consulted by the Competition Manager to assist with these decisions and complaints from competitors over suitability. It is desirable to have issues arising at shows to be successfully dealt with on the day.

A proposal to this effect will be put forward to ALC to hopefully be included in a wider discussion on the role.

Prospective Accredited Trainers

There is a small backlog of assessments of new trainers and along with the office it will be looked to see if it is feasible to do these online.

Code of Best Practice for Judges and Stewards

This is to be reviewed to ensure it is up to date and any amendments will be included along with an update on social media usage which is being updated for all disciplines.

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