

# French Bulldog Club of England



Schedule of Unbenchanted Single Breed

## DOUBLE OPEN SHOW

*Held under Royal Kennel Club Limited Rules & Regulations*

*Only undocked dogs and legally docked dogs may be entered for exhibition at this show*

**On Saturday 4th April 2026**

**At The Dobermann Club Training & Showground**

Hertford Road, Digsowell, Hertfordshire, AL6 0BU

Show Opens: 9.00am Judging: 10.00am (AM) Not before 1.00pm (PM)

**Judge (AM): Kian Pellow (Rosanyos)**

**Judge (PM): Gail Wise (Brumist)**

All Judges at this show agree to abide by the following statement:

*"In assessing dogs, judges must penalise any features or exaggerations which they consider would be detrimental to the soundness, health and well being of the dog"*

#### **Jurisdiction and Responsibilities**

The Officers and Committee members of the society holding the licence are deemed responsible for organising and conducting the show safely and in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Royal Kennel Club and agree to abide by and adopt any decision of the Board or any authority to whom the Board may delegate its powers subject to the conditions of Regulation F17. In so doing those appointed as officers and committee members accept that they are jointly and severally responsible for the organisation of the show and that this is a binding undertaking (vide Royal Kennel Club General Show Regulations F4 and F5)

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Ridgeway, Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire, AL7 2AD

Show & Assistant Secretary & Manager: Charlotte Swateridge  
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#### **On-Line Entries ONLY**

**[www.HaveADogDay.co.uk](http://www.HaveADogDay.co.uk)**

**Entries Close: Wednesday 25th March 2026**  
*(midnight)*

*All wins up to and including 18th March 2026 must be counted when entering this show*



## **OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE**

Hon President: Mrs Lucy Bonsall  
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Show Secretary & Manager: Charlotte Swateridge  
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Gerri Forsyth, Sue Hutchinson, Angela Pleasance, Charlotte Swateridge

## **ROSETTES**

Best in Show, Reserve Best in Show, Best Puppy in Show  
Best Baby Puppy in Show, Best Veteran in Show  
Best Dog, Reserve Best Dog, Best Puppy Dog, Best Veteran Dog  
Best Bitch, Reserve Best Bitch, Best Puppy Bitch, Best Veteran Bitch

## **ALSO ON THE DAY**

Free welcome bacon roll and refreshments on arrival  
Refreshments and cake will be available for purchase throughout the rest of the day,  
but please bring a pack lunch

Food sponsorship to be won from  
Gilbertson & Page & Bark and Bake

FBCE Members Bottle of bubbly draw  
(Not a member? Join up now before entering our show)

S.T.A.G 2027 points to be won

FBCE Juniors - Fancy joining in? Speak to Gerri on the day about joining up

BIS, RBIS, BPIS, BVIS prizes to be won

Bumper Raffle Table - all donations are gladly received and very welcome

Easter Eggs for all class winners

## **DONATIONS**

Donations will be greatly appreciated and acknowledged in the catalogue

## CLASSIFICATION

### AM Show Judge: Kian Pellow (Rosanyos)

1	Baby Puppy Dog	2	Baby Puppy Bitch
<i>Followed by Best Baby Puppy in Show</i>			
3	Minor Puppy Dog	11	Minor Puppy Bitch
4	Puppy Dog	12	Puppy Bitch
5	Junior Dog	13	Junior Bitch
6	Yearling Dog	14	Yearling Bitch
7	Post Graduate Dog	15	Post Graduate Bitch
8	Limit Dog	16	Limit Bitch
9	Open Dog	17	Open Bitch
10	Veteran Dog	18	Veteran Bitch

Best Dog will be judged after Class 10 and Best Bitch will be judged after Class 18 followed by Best in Show, Best Puppy in Show, Best Veteran in Show (*from the Veteran classes only*)

### PM Show Judge: Gail Wise (Brumist)

1	Baby Puppy Dog	2	Baby Puppy Bitch
<i>Followed by Best Baby Puppy in Show</i>			
3	Minor Puppy Dog	11	Minor Puppy Bitch
4	Puppy Dog	12	Puppy Bitch
5	Junior Dog	13	Junior Bitch
6	Yearling Dog	14	Yearling Bitch
7	Post Graduate Dog	15	Post Graduate Bitch
8	Limit Dog	16	Limit Bitch
9	Open Dog	17	Open Bitch
10	Veteran Dog	18	Veteran Bitch

Best Dog will be judged after Class 10 and Best Bitch will be judged after Class 18 followed by Best in Show, Best Puppy in Show, Best Veteran in Show (*from the Veteran classes only*)

### ENTRY FEES

Members First Entry	£7.00 / Dog
Non-Members First Entry	£8.00 / Dog
Subsequent Entries	£2.00 / Same Dog
Baby Puppy	£4.00 / Dog
Veteran	FOC
Not For Competition	£4.00 / Dog
Catalogue	£3.00

## OUR JUDGES



My name is **Kian Pellow** and I feel incredibly honoured to be asked to judge at the FBCE open show in April. My days in the show ring started about 20 years ago. I primarily focused on the junior handling and showed mine and my grandparents boxers however, we always had a French Bulldog that lived alongside our gang of Boxers. My first show frenchie was Tuchoos Aramis at Rosanyos whom we acquired from a local breeder. When he passed away we looked to buy another frenchie. With our connections in Spain we went abroad and imported a brindle bitch Poison D'Acebo Opus Nocturne who was out of some very interesting lines. Although primarily a pet we always wanted something that was nicely bred and show quality. I showed her a little and she gained her JW then Covid hit and put a stop to her career. We decided to have a litter from Opus and that is where my brindle girl Zara (Rosanyos Sevillana) came from. Initially kept as a pet I never showed her, then

when I saw the WDS was to be held in Madrid, about 30 miles from our house in Spain, as an excuse to go I entered her. At this point she hadn't been to any shows as a puppy so I entered her at Bath and 3C's for practice. To my surprise she won 2nd at Bath and then won her class at 3C's and was shortlisted for the CC. I took her to the WDS a week later and in entries of 30+ in her junior class she picked up 2 2nd's, a 3rd and a 4th at the 4 shows across the 3 days.

I then came back to England and thought maybe I should campaign her a little and maybe she's better than we realise. She picked up a RCC about 3 weeks after and then 2 CC's a few weeks after that. I eventually made her up into a UK and ESP Champion as well as gaining a JW and in 2023 she won the FBCE STAG Open bitch category and was the top winning bitch in Spain, which was nothing less than a dream and being our first home bred bitch made it that bit sweeter. We later had our 2nd homebred litter, the Peggy's, with both girls doing well picking up a couple of green cards and an Int CH title too. I feel very fortunate to have had the joy and experience of breeding and showing my own dogs as well as visiting kennels abroad.

I am also an office bearer on the French Bulldog Club of Spain (A.E.F.R.B.F.) which has been a brilliant experience. From meeting breeders to judges and making new friends, although its harder in a different language.

I look forward to judging some wonderful dogs at your upcoming show.

**Gail Wise** - French Bulldogs first came into my life 11 years ago! Since, with the help of the lovely, late Di Johnson, I brought my first show Frenchie, having judged and shown a highly groomed breed for 30 years, it felt strange just getting up, with a wipe down and go! With great trepidation, we went off to our first show, and I was in love. Our first little showgirl doing us proud, winning most of her classes, and the icing on the cake, a Best Puppy in Breed and enough points to qualify for the STAG event. Boy, the Frenchie folk sure know how to party!

The following year along came Dino, who was also enjoying the show ring, then COVID struck the UK. From training show dogs and socialisation at ringcraft, to a walk in the park and a cuddle on the sofa, this is what my oldies now just love to do.

I am very honoured to have been invited to judge your Open show and hope you enjoy the day as much as I will.



## 2025 CLUB EVENTS

### FBCE AGM

Date: Saturday 2nd May

Venue: Weedon Village Hall, Weedon Bec, Northampton, NN7 4QU

### Summer Championship Show

In conjunction with Boston Championship Show

Date: Sunday July 5th

Venue: Rutland Showground, Showground Way, Oakham, LE15 7TW

Judge: Mr Stanley Drysdale

### Winter Championship Show

Date: Sunday November 8th

Venue: Haynes Village Hall, Haynes, Bedfordshire, MK45 3QB

Judge: Ms Sonia Davis



### EXHIBITORS PLEASE NOTE

In accordance with Royal Kennel Club guidelines, exhibitors must display exhibit number/owner identification on their crate, cage or container at all times

**NO CAGES/DOGS WILL BE ALLOWED AT THE IMMEDIATE RINGSIDE  
A 'CAGE' AREA WILL BE PROVIDED**

#### **FOULING BY DOGS:**

**PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW YOUR DOG TO FOUL THE HALL OR  
SURROUNDING AREAS**

**EXHIBITORS ARE REMINDED THAT IT IS THEIR OWN RESPONSIBILITY TO  
CLEAN UP ANY MESS MADE BY DOGS UNDER THEIR CONTROL**



Hello everyone,

From 2027, Richmond Dog society will be moving their Championship 3 day show from their usual month of September to November, and it falls on the same 2<sup>nd</sup> weekend of the month that our event is always held, with the Utility Day being on Friday 12th. We are limited to when we can hold anything later in November as it creeps into the hotels Christmas bookings. This being the case, we have had to have a rethink about the year and how we move forward with everything, whilst giving as much notice as is possible.

STAG therefore will be taking a break in 2026 and will now be held on Saturday 20th February 2027. It will be the same Weekend Extravaganza that we pride ourselves on producing, at the Doubletree by Hilton, Lydiard Fields, Great Western Way, Swindon, SN5 8UZ, with the FBCE Winter 2027 Championship show following the next day, Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> February.

#### KEY POINTS

FBCE Winter 2026 Championship will still take place on the same date of Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November, with the same judge Ms Sonia Davis at the new venue Haynes Village Hall, Northwood End Road, Haynes, Bedfordshire, MK45 3QB

STAG only pauses to 3 months later, so instead of November 2026, it will be in February of the following year for 2027

We move to a straight 12 month qualifying criteria for STAG points  
January 2026 through to December 2026

For this first year, the points accrued by exhibitors at the 2025 shows of Midland Counties, FBCE Champ, BUBA and LKA will all be carried over, so no points lost

No clashes with any General Championship show in February (for now!)

Thank you for your understanding

The STAG team



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## **REGULATIONS FOR THE PREPARATION OF DOGS FOR EXHIBITION F(B)**

- 1 These regulations must be observed when a dog is prepared for exhibition and/or exhibited at any Royal Kennel Club Licensed event. Objections may be referred to the Board for disciplinary action under these Show Regulations and/or disciplinary action under Royal Kennel Club Rule A11.
  - (a) a dog found to have been exhibited in breach of these Regulations will automatically be disqualified from exhibition at the show and from any award gained thereat.
  - (b) Unless the exhibitor provides a satisfactory explanation for the dog being exhibited in breach of these Regulations then he/she may be subject to further penalties of either a fine or as listed under Rule A11.
- 2 (a) No substance which alters the natural colour, texture or body of the coat may be present in the dog's coat for any purpose at any time during the show. No substance which alters the natural colour of any external part of the dog may be present on the dog for any purpose at any time during the show.  
(b) Any other substance (other than water) which may be used in the preparation of a dog for exhibition must not be allowed to remain in the coat at the time of exhibition.
- 3 No act or operation which alters the natural conformation of a dog or any part thereof may be performed except:
  - (a) Operations certified to the satisfaction of the Board.
  - (b) The removal of dew claws of any breed.
  - (c) Operations to prevent breeding provided that such operations are notified to the Royal Kennel Club before neutered dogs are shown.Nor must anything be done calculated in the opinion of the Board to deceive.
- 4 The Board without previous notice may order an examination of any dog or dogs at any show. Any examination thus ordered will be made by a person having executive authority who shall have a written directive from the Royal Kennel Club in their possession. Samples may be taken for further examination and analysis.
- 5 An individual has the right to lodge an objection to a dog only if he/she is the owner or handler of a dog competing in the same breed or class. An objection may however, be lodged by an official of the show or any anyone so deputed by the Royal Kennel Club. It will be the responsibility of the individual who lodges the objection or the official (as appropriate) to substantiate the grounds for the objection. The Royal Kennel Club will substantiate the grounds for an objection made on its behalf.
- 6 Any objection by an individual related to an infringement of these Regulations must be made in writing to the Show Secretary at his/her office before the close of the Show & the individual must produce evidence of identity at the time of lodging the complaint.

## DOGS IN VEHICLES ON HOT DAYS

**Your dog is vulnerable and AT RISK if left in a vehicle in high temperatures and even on days considered as slightly warm**

**Please take care of your dog**

**If your dog is found to be at risk forcible entry to your vehicle may be necessary without liability for any damage caused**

Your dog is vulnerable and at risk during hot weather and the Royal Kennel Club offers the following guidance to help guide you through the do's and don'ts travelling to and whilst at KC licensed events.

- When travelling to a show please take a moment to consider whether the route to the show is on a busy holiday route, and leave earlier to avoid increased time in traffic jams.
- If your vehicle is not air-conditioned seriously consider whether travelling to the show is a good idea at all.
- The vehicle should be as fully ventilated as possible, and plenty of stops should be taken, with lots of water available to drink.
- Ensure your dog is not sitting in full sunlight. There should be plenty of free flowing air around the dog.
- When at the show, never leave your dog in the vehicle.
- Keep the dog in the shade - take your own shade for example a large umbrella and always have plenty of water available to drink so your dog stays well hydrated.
- Avoid your dog taking part in unnecessary exertion, or from standing in exposed sunlight for extended lengths of time.

Remember, if you feel hot your dog is very likely to feel much hotter and dehydrated, and this could lead to dire results. Please look after your dog's welfare.

**WARNING:**

**IF YOUR DOG IS FOUND TO BE AT RISK FORCIBLE ENTRY TO YOUR VEHICLE  
MAY BE NECESSARY WITHOUT LIABILITY FOR ANY DAMAGE CAUSED**

Anyone whose dog is entered at a Royal Kennel Club licensed event should take all reasonable steps to ensure the needs of their dog(s) are met, and should not put a dog's health and welfare at risk by any action, default, omission or otherwise. Breach of Royal Kennel Club Regulations in this respect may be referred to the Board for disciplinary action under Royal Kennel Club Rules and Regulations. The use of pinch collars, electronic shock collars, or prong collars, is not permitted at any show licensed by the Royal Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue or within the precincts of the show.

## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. The Show will open at 9.00am.
2. Dogs will be received at any time but it is the exhibitors responsibility to ensure that exhibits are available for judging when required.
3. Judging will commence at 10.00am (Morning Show) and not before 1.00pm (Afternoon Show).
4. Exhibits may be removed from the show after all their judging has been completed, the show will close half an hour after all judging has been completed.
5. Entry Fees: Members First Entry £7.00/Dog, Non-Members First Entry £8.00/Dog, Subsequent Entries £2.00/Same Dog, Veteran FOC, Baby Puppy £4.00/Dog, NFC £4.00/Dog. On-line entries only at [haveadogday.co.uk](http://haveadogday.co.uk).
6. There will be no prize money on offer at this show.
7. The Committee reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
8. Puppies under four calendar months of age on the first day of the show are not eligible for exhibition.
9. The mating of bitches within the precincts of the show are strictly forbidden.
10. Where a Best Puppy in Show competition is scheduled the Best Puppy in Show is a puppy which has competed and is unbeaten by any other puppy exhibited at the same show. A puppy is a dog of six and not exceeding twelve calendar months of age on the first day of the Show. The selection of Best in Show may follow the selection of Best Puppy in Show and Best Veteran in Show (if scheduled) respectively. Where the Best in Show is a puppy it may, at the discretion of the judge, be awarded Best Puppy in Show respectively. Where the Reserve Best in Show is a puppy which has only been beaten by an adult dog it may, at the discretion of the judge be Best Puppy in Show respectively. A Baby Puppy is a dog of four and less than six calendar months of age on the first day of the show. Baby Puppy classes may be scheduled at any breed club show. Any Variety Baby Puppy classes may be scheduled at any breed club show. Best Baby Puppy in Breed may be declared in each breed from the dogs entered in the Baby Puppy breed classes. There must be no progression to further competition.
11. Best in Show must be selected from the exhibits declared Best of Sex. If a Reserve Best in Show is to be selected, the eligible dogs are those declared Best Opposite Sex and the Reserve Best of Sex to the exhibit declared Best in Show.
12. Exhibits will not be admitted to Best in Show competition after a period of ten minutes has elapsed since the announcement that exhibits are required for judging, unless they have been unavoidably delayed by previous judging not being completed on time, and then only with the special permission of the Show Management.
13. Exhibitors must not pick up dogs by their tails and leads when lifting them nor handle a dog in a manner which causes its feet not touch the ground when on the move. This is not acceptable. Exhibitors should note that such practice would constitute harsh handling and reports of such practice will be referred to the Committee under Royal Kennel Club Show Regulation F11.
14. All exhibitors must be familiar with Royal Kennel Club Regulation F (Annex B) Regulations for the Preparation of Dogs for Exhibition.
15. All dogs resident outside the UK must be issued with a Royal Kennel Club Authority to Compete number before entry to the show/event can be made. All overseas entries without an Authority to Compete number will be returned to the exhibitor/competitor.
16. DOGS IN VEHICLES ON HOT DAYS - see page 9.
17. Anyone whose dog is entered at a Royal Kennel Club licensed event should take all reasonable steps to ensure the needs of their dog(s) are met, and should not put a dog's health and welfare at risk by any action, default, omission or otherwise. Breach of Royal Kennel Club Regulations in this respect may be referred to the Board for disciplinary action under the Royal Kennel Club Rules and Regulations. The use of pinch collars, electronic shock collars, or prong collars, is not permitted at any show licensed by the Royal Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue or within the precincts of the show.
18. Not for Competition entries will be accepted. Details of each dog so entered must be recorded on the entry form and must be Royal Kennel Club registered.
19. No modifications will be made to the schedule except by permission of the Board of the Royal Kennel Club, which will be followed by advertisement in the Canine press wherever possible.
20. An exhibitor or competitor should ensure that contact details for any handler are available and must be provided upon request in any investigation of a breach of this regulation by such handler.

## DEFINITIONS OF CLASSES

In the following definitions, a Challenge Certificate includes any Show award that counts towards the title of Champion under the Rules of any governing body recognised by the Royal Kennel Club.

Wins at Championship Shows in breed classes where Challenge Certificates are not on offer shall be counted as wins at Open Shows.

In the case of a dog owned in partnership and entered in Members' classes or competing for Members' Specials each partner must at the time of entry be a member of the Society.

In estimating the number of awards won, all wins up to and including the seventh day before the first date of closing of entries shall be counted when entering for any class i.e. **18th March 2026**.

Wins in Variety classes do not count for entry in Breed classes but when entering in Variety classes, wins in both Breed and Variety classes must be counted. First prizes awarded in any classes defined as Special do not count towards eligibility.

If an exhibitor reports before the judging of a class or classes that a dog has been entered which is ineligible, the exhibitor may choose one of the following options:

(1) Withdrawal

The dog may be withdrawn from competition subject to the conditions of Regulation F(1)19.

(2) Transfer

- a) If a dog is ineligible for a class or classes as regards its colour, sex, weight or height the Show Secretary shall transfer it to the equivalent class or classes for the correct colour, sex, weight or height and, in the event of there being no equivalent class, Minor Puppy and Puppy excepted to the Open class for the correct colour, sex, weight or height.
- b) For an exhibit entered incorrectly in a Minor Puppy Class, Puppy Class or Junior Class, which is over age but under twelve calendar months of age, eighteen calendar months of age or 24 calendar months of age respectively, the Show Secretary shall transfer the exhibit to the Puppy Class, Junior Class or Yearling Class respectively for the correct colour, sex, weight or height and in the event of there being no Puppy, Junior or Yearling Class to the Open Class for the correct colour, sex, weight or height.
- c) For any reason other than the above, the Show Secretary shall transfer it to the Open class for the correct colour, sex, weight or height.
- d) If an exhibit arrives late and misses a class, even if it is the only class in which the dog is entered, the dog may not be transferred to any other class.

**Baby Puppy** A baby puppy is a dog of four and less than six calendar months of age on the first day of the show.

**Minor Puppy** For dogs of six and not exceeding nine calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

**Puppy** For dogs of 6 and not exceeding 12 calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

**Junior** For dogs of 6 and not exceeding 18 calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

**Yearling** For dogs of twelve and not exceeding twenty-four calendar months of age on the first day of the Show.

**Post-Graduate** For dogs which have not won a Challenge Certificate/CACIB/CAC/Green Star or five or more First Prizes at Championship Shows in Post Graduate, Minor Limit, Mid Limit, Limit and Open classes, whether restricted or not where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

**Limit** For dogs which have not become show Champions under the Royal Kennel Club Regulations or under the rules of any governing body recognised by the Royal Kennel Club, or won 3 or more CC/CACIB/CAC/Green Stars or won 7 or more First Prizes in all at Championship Shows in Limit or Open Classes confined to the Breed, whether restricted or not at Shows where Challenge Certificates were offered for the breed.

**Open** For all dogs of the breed for which the class is provided and eligible for entry at the Show.

**Not For Competition** Societies may at their discretion, accept Not for Competition entries. Societies may accept such entries from breeds of dog not included within the title of the Society and at Shows held over more than one day, such entries may be accepted on any day from any breed.

## Use of Electrical Equipment at Shows

The Royal Kennel Club is becoming increasingly concerned at the amount of electrical equipment being used by exhibitors at shows, including hair dryers and hair straighteners and other grooming devices. Electrical equipment should not be brought to shows unless absolutely necessary. In rare instances where it might be required, it should be PAT tested and permission sought from the secretary of the show before it is used.

The Royal Kennel Club has also been informed of recent instances of exhibitors commandeering certain areas of a venue in order to have access to power points so as to use electrical grooming equipment. This is totally unacceptable and particularly unfair on the breeds whose allocated areas have been cramped because of this selfish behaviour.

## Security at Shows

In light of recent events the Royal Kennel Club would like to issue a reminder to all Societies of the importance of security at dog shows. The Royal Kennel Club understands that due to the nature of dog shows and the quantity of paraphernalia exhibitors bring it would be extremely difficult for show organisers to take on the issue of security alone, therefore we would reiterate the advice being given by the Police and security services, that everyone in the UK should remain vigilant and this applies to those organising and taking part in dog shows.

The importance of exhibitors feeling that they and their dogs are safe when attending a show cannot be underestimated. We would therefore remind you of the importance of the need for show organisers and exhibitors to remain mindful of potential dangers and that all visitors generally need to be vigilant and alert. Furthermore the society should provide robust notification informing exhibitors of where to report to should they see anything suspicious or of concern, and of the evacuation procedures in place.



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