



Get ready to Rally!

6th - 20th June 2020

A trial like no other TD trial – ONLINE!!!

Hosted by Lucy Dawson

Open to all TD Rally® registered dogs!

All levels including VL3!!

How is this going to work?

As this is a one-off event in extraordinary circumstances, scores gained will count towards Titles and Championships in all levels. In light of this and in the spirit of TDRally®, we trust that you do not rehearse rounds and ensure that you submit an honest performance. Good luck everyone!

Some of our competitors may also compete in KC Rally Online competitions, and we are basing our trial along similar lines. On Saturday 6th June, the classes will be published on Facebook and on the Talking Dogs website. They will also be available by email on request. Get the word out to your friends who do not use Facebook! We intend to have 4 classes of each level, to reflect the original intention of a 2-day trial where we would have had 4 classes of each level spread over the weekend. We trust you to use your good sense and care for your dogs to ensure that you spread your videoing efforts out over the 2-week period so your dogs enjoy it as much as you. Entries will be limited to 4 classes.

Judges – each judge will have their name on their intended course plan when it is published, however if some classes are more popular than others, we may need to give a class to a different judge so that nobody is overworked.

Courses will be compressed somewhat from normal TD rally courses, in order to fit into the average back garden or driveway. **YOU MUST avoid public areas and film on your own property or where you are currently on lockdown. We will not accept rounds that have been filmed in public areas.** You can use a tripod or put your camera or phone on a chair if you haven't got a handy helper in your household.

Course laying – you may print off TD rally signs or write your signs on paper and use anything you like to keep them in place – special

mention perhaps for original solutions! We do need to see where you intend to do each exercise so we know the course is laid correctly.

Filming – please ensure your camera or phone is in Landscape mode as this will make it much less likely that you go out of shot. It is **essential** that you remain in shot at all times, and that your video submission is one continuous piece of film. No submissions with any editing will be permitted.

Identification – please write clearly on a piece of paper your TDR® competitor number, the word 'BONUS' if you intend to do the bonus, and the judge whose course you are intending to work, so that we send your entry to the correct person. Hold this up to the camera, then work your round as usual.

When you have filmed your round, you may choose to:

1. Upload to Youtube and email me the link at lucy@luphen.co.uk.
2. Upload to Youtube and post the link on the Facebook group which will be set up for the competition.
3. Post the video directly to the event page on Facebook.

If your round cannot be verified for judging, for example if you have gone out of sight during the round or laid the course incorrectly, you will be offered the chance to refilm, until the competition has closed for entries. There are examples of filmed rounds at rallyonline.org so you can see the sort of thing we need to see.

Once the competition has closed for entries, we will give our judges approximately 1 week to do their judging. We hope to have the results to post on Sunday 29th June. We ask you to be patient if it takes longer, they are busy people.

Entry fees – if you are happy to just have your result and do not require a class rosette either, or you are happy to wait until the next 'on the ground' trial for it, the cost will be £2 per qualifying mark gained.

If you want your rosettes posted out to you, the cost will be £2 per qualifying mark gained plus 2nd class postage (to be notified to you before sending).

TD Rally® eligibility

All competitors must be registered with TD Rally® prior to competing at any sanctioned TD Rally® trial. To register, contact the Office or go to the website and download the form and send it with payment to the [TD Rally® office](#).

Everyone over the age of 7 years (when attending trials children under 16 years old must be accompanied by a parent or guardian) on the date of the trial is eligible to compete once registered with TD Rally®.

All breeds of dogs, crosses and mixes of breeds over 6 months old on the date of the trial can compete. Health and behaviour may exclude dogs from competing but breed type does not.

Competing Levels

Puppy is for dogs aged between 6 and 18 months on the date of the trial.

Level 1 is for dogs 1 year and older on the date of the trial.

Pre Level 2 is for dogs 1 year and older on the date of the trial. This level is for handlers who have already won a TD Rally® Level 1 Title or Championship.

Level 2 is for dogs 1 year and older on the date of the trial. This level is for handlers who have already won a TD Rally® Level 1 Title or Championship.

Level 3 is for dogs 1 year and older on the date of the trial. This level is for handlers who have already won a TD Rally® Level 2 Title or Championship and who are working towards their first Level 3 Title.

Veteran Level 1 is for dogs over 7 years on the date of the trial.

Pre Veteran Level 2 is for dogs 7 years and older on the date of the trial. This level is for handlers who have already won a TD Rally® Level 1 Title or Championship.

Veteran Level 2 is for dogs 7 years and older on the date of the trial. This level is for handlers who have already won a TD Rally® Level 1 or VL1 Title or Championship.

Veteran Level 3 is for dogs 7 years and older on the date of the trial. This level is for handlers who have already won a TD Rally® Level 2 or VL2 Title or Championship.

Terms & Conditions

- ❖ Each team, a team consisting of one dog and one handler, must hold a valid Talking Dogs Rally® (TD Rally®) registration. Teams with disabilities must have submitted a Disability Modification Form to the Talking Dogs Rally® Office prior to the Trial or along with their Trial application form. Disability Modification Forms will not be accepted on the day of the Trial.
- ❖ No unregistered substitutions for handler or dog are permitted.
- ❖ By entering this Trial, competitors acknowledge and agree to abide by the rules, terms and conditions as laid out by Lucy Dawson and Talking Dogs Rally®.
- ❖ The Judge's decision is final; rudeness to judges will not be tolerated.
- ❖ Returned cheques do not constitute a valid entry.
- ❖ Competing in Talking Dogs Rally® is a physical activity and as such Handlers are reminded to work with due care and attention to their own safety and that of others. Handlers are responsible for the conduct of their dog at all times. Neither Talking Dogs Ltd, Talking Dogs Rally® or any person acting on behalf of the Company accept any liability for any loss, damage, accident, injury or illness to dogs, handlers, spectators or any other persons or property whatsoever.