Midland Counties Field Trial Society

ID no 149

Schedule of Spaniel Field Trials 2026/2027 Season

Held under Kennel Club Rules and Field Trial Regulations "J"

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Stake 1	**Open Cocker Qualifying Field Trial – Limited to 16 dogs**
Date/Venue	20th October 2026 @ Manor Farm, Blaston, Leicestershire
Host	Mr T Stubbs
Judges	Mr P Rawlings (2002 A Panel) & Mr P Seaman (B Panel 3859)

Closing date for entries (midday) 8th October 2026 (Draw via FTMS 9th October)

Stake 2	**Open AV (exc cockers) Field Trial – Limited to 16 dogs**
Date/Venue	21st December 2026 @ Stubton Shoot, Stubton, Lincolnshire
Host	Mr M Partridge of Stubton Lodge
Judges	Mrs N Cannon (3742 A Panel) & Mr Sean Connor (4058 B Panel)

Closing date for entries (midday) 10th December 2026 (Draw via FTMS 11th December)

Stake 3	**Novice AV (inc cockers) Field Trial – Limited to 16 dogs**
Date/Venue	18th November 2026 @ Stubton Shoot, Stubton, Lincs
Host	Mr M Partridge of Stubton Lodge
Judges	Mr G Smith (3129 A) & Ms V West (NP)

Closing date for entries (midday) 5th November 2026 (Draw via FTMS 6th November)

It is intended that these stakes will be held using hedge rows, belts of trees, woodland, cover crops, marshland and white grass. The floor will comprise of white grass, bramble, fallen timber, and brashings, vehicle ruts, ditches and various holes associated with this type of environment. Appropriate footwear and clothing should be worn.

The definition of each stake is contained in the Kennel Club Limited Field Trial Regulation 3

All persons attending a state do so: at their own risk, on the understanding that they are bound by the Kennel Club Ltd rules and field trial regulations, and also subject to the rules of the Midland Counties Field Trial Society

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INFORMATION APPLICABLE TO SPANIEL STAKES AND TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1 Dogs entered at Kennel Club Licensed Field Trials must be registered at the Kennel Club in accordance with Kennel Club Regulations for Classification and Registration B.
2 The Society may reserve to itself the right to refuse any entry except that this shall not apply in terms of the preference in the draw Regulations (ref J7.I.). The Kennel Club will be notified in writing of all such refusals with the society's reason.
3 Substitution of a dog will not be allowed for any stake after the draw has been conducted
4 All dogs resident outside the UK must be issued with a 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.
5 If entries exceed the number of permitted runners, the right to compete in a Trial shall be decided by ballot.
6 Should circumstances so dictate the Society, in consultation with the judges, may alter arrangements as necessary. Such changes and the circumstances surrounding them will be reported to the Kennel Club.
7 No modification may be made to the schedule after publication except by permission of the Kennel Club, followed by advertisement in appropriate journals if time permits before the closing of entries.
8 Judges at a Trial are prohibited from entering a dog which is recorded in their ownership or part ownership.
9 Videography and photography will not be permitted.
10 Welfare of Dogs
An exhibitor (or competitor) whose dog is entered at a Kennel Club licensed event should take all reasonable steps to ensure the needs of their dog(s) are met and should not knowingly put their dogs' health and welfare at risk by any action, default, omission or otherwise. A breach of this Regulation may be referred to the General Committee for disciplinary action under Kennel Club Rules and Regulations. 4
11 The use of pinch collars, electronic shock collars, or prong collars, is not permitted at any field trial licensed by the Kennel Club. This shall apply at the venue or within the precincts of the trial.
12 Dogs In Cars 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.

Definitions of the stakes

Open

A Stake in which dogs have the opportunity of gaining a qualification towards the title of Field Trial Champion (K Regulations refer) and towards entry in the Championship or Champion Stake for its breed; in which entry is open to all dogs of a specified breed or breeds except that such Stakes may not be confined to Any Variety Spaniel [except Spaniel (Cocker) and (English Springer)]. It may be limited to a prescribed number of runners (J4 refers), in which case these shall be decided by a draw conducted in accordance with Regulation J7.i. so that preference is given to previous performance.

Novice

A stake which is confined to dogs which have not gained a place which would qualify them for first preference in the draw for open stakes.

ON LINE ENTRIES VIA FTMS PREFERRED

Postal/Email entries – society's standard printed entry form to be completed. Please ensure these are completed fully and are legible.

One form for each stake

Full payment along with the Society's entry form to be sent to the Joint Field Trial Secretary – Mrs G Owen – mcfts@hotmail.co.uk or 7 Hawthorn Drive, Thrapston, Northants, NN14 4LQ.

No entries via any other method. Full payment must be sent with the entry otherwise it will not be entered into the drawer.

Entry Fees:	**Open**	**Members £55**	**Non-Members £75**
	Novice	**Members £45**	**Non-Members £65**

Please note members will be aware that the Clubs Annual Subscription was increased May1st to £15 – notification was via email in February 2025. Members that have not fully paid their subscription will be entered into the drawers as non-members. If you are unsure on the status of your membership then please contact the Membership Secretary, Gail Owen via email - mcfts@hotmail.co.uk

Prize Money:	Open Stakes	First £50	Second £30	Third £20
	Novice Stakes	First £30	Second £20	Third £15

Trophies: Will be recorded on the card and must be engraved at the holder's expense, recording their dogs win, then returned to the Secretary by September 12th 2027.

Any loss or damage of the trophy must be reported without delay in writing to the secretary recording the circumstance giving rise to the loss or damage

Details of the meet will be provided with the result of the draw. All correspondence to the Joint FTS – Gail Owen mcfts@hotmail.co.uk. 7 Hawthorn Drive, Thrapston, Northants NN14 4LQ

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Our pledge to sportsmanship, civility, fairness and respect

These qualities make our activities rewarding for participants, spectators, and the dogs at the heart of it all. They help create a respectful culture that welcomes the diverse community united by a love of dogs, and they reflect the spirit in which we come together. By affirming these qualities, we strengthen the integrity of our activities and the inclusive ethos that defines the Royal Kennel Club.

We pledge to

Put dogs first
We place the welfare of dogs above all else

Act with integrity
Our actions reflect positively on the world of dogs, the Royal Kennel Club and ourselves

Lead by example
We recognise we are role models in the canine world

Show respect
We treat others with sportsmanship, civility, fairness and respect

Protect our legacy
We protect the legacy of pedigree dogs for future generations