

NORTHERN AREA INTER-REGIONAL COMPETITION CRUFTS FRIDAY 9th March 2018

The Inter-Regional Competition next year will be held on Friday 9th March 2018.

The format will feature 1 Beginner dog, 2 Novice dogs, 2 'A', 1 'B' and 1 'C' plus a Beginner reserve. Two Border Collies or Working Sheepdogs only may feature in the team with a maximum of three Crossbreeds, one of which may not be of Collie type and no more than three of any other single breed.

It is of utmost importance that the selectors have a wide and strong choice of other breeds.

The Northern Team will be selected by myself, Alison Gresty and Karen Davies.

Dogs must not be Obedience Champions and handlers and dogs competing at the 2018 Crufts Championships are not eligible. Those eligible to apply for the Northern Team are to reside in Co. Durham, Cleveland, Tyne & Wear, Northumberland, Humberside, Yorkshire, Cheshire, Lincolnshire, Greater Manchester, Lancashire, Cumbria and Merseyside.

The closing date for eligibility is 31st October 2017 and all entries must be received by myself by 3rd December 2017.

Although you are giving details of your dog's awards during the year for us to consider there will be "selection days"

Saturday 11th November 2017 at Wakefield Dog Training Club, Owl Lane, Ossett, WF4 9AU.

Sunday 19th November 2017 at Target Dog Training Academy, 28C Watness Avenue, Skelton Industrial Estate, Skelton in Cleveland, TS12 2LQ.

Sunday 3rd December 2017 at NAABTS, Chew Valley Road, Greenfield, Oldham, OL3 7JY.

There will be at least two training days held before Crufts, they will be

Sunday 28th January 2018 at NAABTS

Sunday 25th February 2018 at Target.

Selected team members will be expected to attend both get together days.

When making application please ensure that you are aware of the rules and regulations for the Team competition.

If you or your Club feel that you are able to sponsor the team in any way, any offer will be gratefully received!

Please send for an application form as soon as possible together with a ***stamped addressed envelope*** or e-mail your request to the address below to the Northern Area Team Manager :-

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