



## NEWS RELEASE

### KENNEL CLUB ANNOUNCES NEW ONLINE ENTRY SYSTEM FOR FIELD TRIALS AND GUNDOG WORKING TESTS

The Kennel Club has announced that, in joint development with Fosse Data, a new online system for field trial and Gundog working test management will be launched later this year.

The new online system is designed to streamline the process for both competitors and secretaries when entering and managing field trials and Gundog working tests. Features will include secure online entry, automatic draws and online payments by credit or debit card, as well as comprehensive and secure management tools for field trial secretaries. This will prevent undelivered or late entries sent through the post, making entering events more time and cost effective.

The system for field trials and Gundog working tests is being designed to Kennel Club specifications and will reflect the current paper-based process to ensure that the transition is as smooth as possible, with users being presented with a familiar format upon the launch of electronic entries.

The system is at an advanced development stage and the Kennel Club hopes to be utilising the service later in 2014. General availability for clubs and societies is expected by the end of the year.

To assist with the transition, a comprehensive, nationwide training programme is planned and users can expect full customer support from Fosse Data.

Caroline Kisko, Kennel Club Secretary, said: "The Kennel Club recognises the need for an efficient and more modern entry system for field trials and Gundog working tests. Fosse Data is a natural partner for this, as they already provide us with a secure and robust system for other events.

"As we launch this new system, paper entries will still be supported and for those without access to a computer, entering by sending in a paper entry will still be accepted."

Kathy Gorman, Managing Director of Fosse Data said: "Fosse Data is delighted to be once again at the forefront of innovative systems development and values its close partnership with the Kennel Club."

Fosse Data is a trusted partner of the Kennel Club, which, along with many registered clubs, already uses some form of online system for shows and competitions. Fosse Data is employed by the Kennel Club to process entries for Crufts, and has an excellent record of innovative and secure systems delivery. With previous experience of designing online systems for other canine activities, Fosse Data was a natural choice for Kennel Club field trials.

More information on Kennel Club Field Trials and working gundogs can be found at [www.thekennelclub.org.uk/fieldtrials](http://www.thekennelclub.org.uk/fieldtrials).

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