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Invitation and Program IFSS European Championships 2016 Dryland

November 17th – 20th, 2016 Thetford Forest, Norfolk, England

LOCATION:

Thetford Forest, Norfolk, England

Technical organizer: BSSF – British Sleddog Sports Federation

GENERAL:

- 1. Use of private motor vehicles on the trails is not allowed.
- 2. From Friday on, participants may inspect the trail only on foot or bicycle. No dogs will be allowed on the trail during inspections or for hygienic walks!
- Entries for IFSS members is via the national IFSS member federations only, using the
 official entry forms. Entry for teams from countries not represented in IFSS is possible
 individually via wildcards and using the official entry forms.
- 4. Microchip identification for the dogs is mandatory. All dogs must be listed on the chipping form (one form per driver and per class). All dogs must have a valid antirabies vaccination.
- 5. It is strictly forbidden to let dogs run loose at the event site including stake-out and parking areas, for the entire weekend of the event. Refusal to respect this requirement may lead to disqualification.

Nordic Breed

Registered Nordic Breed (RNB-teams) will have a separate result list if minimum 5 teams or more at the start of that particular class. Gold medal and EC-title (IFSS Registered Nordic Breed Champion) will be awarded to the best RNB-team if the time limit of 150% is fulfilled and that there are at least three countries represented with RNB-teams in the class. Silver and Bronze medals are also awarded. This is still a try-out rule for the EC Dryland. It will apply for all classes with the exception of all Cani-cross classes.

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CATEGORIES AND DISTANCES PER HEAT:

| • | Cani-cross Women elite (DCW) | 5km +/- |
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| • | Cani-cross Men elite (DCM) | 5km +/- |
| • | Cani-cross Women junior (DCWJ) | 5km +/- |
| • | Cani-cross Men junior (DCMJ) | 5km +/- |
| • | Cani-cross Women veteran (DCWV) | 5km +/- |
| • | Cani-cross Men veteran (DCMV) | 5km +/- |
| • | One-Dog Bike Women elite (DBW) | 7km +/- |
| • | One-Dog Bike Men elite (DBM) | 7km +/- |
| • | One-Dog Bike Women junior (DBWJ) | 7km +/- |
| • | One-Dog Bike Men junior (DBMJ) | 7km +/- |
| • | One-Dog Bike Women veteran (DBWV) | 7km +/- |
| • | One-Dog Bike Men veteran (DBMV) | 7km +/- |
| • | One-Dog Scooter elite (DS1) | 6km +/- |
| • | One-Dog Scooter junior (DS1J) | 6km +/- |
| • | Two-Dog Scooter elite (DS2) | 6km +/- |
| • | Four-Dog team elite (DR4) | 7km +/- |
| • | Four-Dog team junior (DR4J) | 7km +/- |
| • | Six-Dog team (DR6) elite | 7km +/- |
| • | Eight-Dog team (DR8) elite | 8km +/- |
| • | Relay (DCR) Mixed Cani-cross, Bike, Scooter 1 | 3km + 5km + 5km +/- |

REGISTRATION:

Registration only through the national IFSS members. The registration of qualified drivers, name and DID number, shall be by the IFSS Europe no later than October 25th, 2016 on the official entry form

Sent to: VP.ECONOMY@SLEDDOGSPORT.NET

with a copy to: jhbhendriks@hotmail.com:

Quotas:

Quotas of athletes will be 3 + 3 RNB per class, per nation.

There is no RNB in cani-cross and relay classes.

Additional starts might be offered at a later date once the level of fulfillment of quotas by all participating nations is known.

DID Numbers:

IFSS DID numbers are required for participation and should be available through your national federation.

Juniors:

AGE RULES for DRYLAND

Classes and age in Dryland competition 2016 - 2017

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| Class | a min | ge max | year of birth | Class | a min | ge max | year of birth |
|-------|----------|-----------|------------------|-------|----------|-----------|------------------|
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| DR4J | 14 | 18 | 2003/1999 | DBM | 19 | 99 | 1998 |
| DR4 | 19 | 99 | 1998 | DBW | 19 | 99 | 1998 |
| DR6 | 19 | 99 | 1998 | DBMV | 40 | 99 | 1977 |
| DR8 | 19 | 99 | 1998 | DBWV | 40 | 99 | 1977 |
| DS1 | 19 | 99 | 1998 | DBMJ | 16 | 18 | 2001/1999 |
| DS2 | 19 | 99 | 1998 | DBWJ | 16 | 18 | 2001/1999 |
| DS1J | 14 | 18 | 2003/1999 | DCMV | 40 | 99 | 1977 |
| DCM | 19 | 99 | 1998 | DCWV | 40 | 99 | 1977 |
| DCW | 19 | 99 | 1998 | DCMJ | 14 | 18 | 2003/1999 |
| DR *) | 14 | 99 | 2003 | DCWJ | 14 | 18 | 2003/1999 |

For participants under the age of 18 years an IFSS Guardian Form must also be submitted.

Team Leaders:

All participating nations shall appoint one team leader.

The team leaders shall be noted on the entry forms. Team leaders shall be present at the team leader meetings. In view of their liaison task between the race organizer and their team members. They should speak English.

PARTICIPATION FEE:

€75 entry for elite or veterans official dinner included €40 entry for juniors official dinner included €80 relay team

The participation fee must be paid by October 31st 2016 at the latest for all requested entries, free of charge for the receiver, to the IFSS account. As per IFSS Regulations late nominations and/or payments (received after October 31st 2016) *will double the participation fee!* Rejected entries will be refunded.

Please transfer this amount to the IFSS Bank Account "at no charge to the receiver", to the following bank account:

KBC Bank Bruxelles Louise, AVENUE LOUISE 306, 1050 BRUXELLES, BELGIUM

| Acc. name: | IFSS |
|------------|---------------------|
| Acc.Nr.: | BE89 7350 3332 9285 |
| BIC: | KREDBEBB |
| IBAN: | BE89 7350 3332 9285 |

INFORMATION AND ROOM RESERVATIONS, MEALS AND ACCOMMODATIONS

Saturday night Competitors Banquet included in entry fee.

Extra tickets can be purchased at the cost of €10 per ticket beforehand or £10 at the event.

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The list of various alternatives will be available through the dedicated website www.ifss-champs-gb.eu

Information if the EC will be held may be obtained via the IFSS internet homepage: **WWW.SLEDDOGSPORT.NET**.

Travel to the UK from Europe and Vaccinations requirements:

Please visit the offical event website for further details.

EVENT PROGRAMME:

Provisional Schedule of Events and Classes. Running order subject to change

Tuesday 15th November

Course inspections by officials.

Wednesday 16th November TBC

12.00 stake out opens for travelling teams possible course opens for inspection. Vet Check commences (if required).

Thursday 17th November

10.00: Race office opens – team leaders please report immediately upon your arrival.

10.00 Start of veterinary check of dogs at the stake out area.

13.00 approx First mandatory team leader meeting c/o Bibs and startinglists handed out

14.00 Trail viewing (Team leaders only)

19.00 Opening ceremony

Friday 18th November

08.30 Heat 1 for the following classes:

Bikejor Men Elite Bikejor Women Elite

Bikejor Men Veteran Bikejor Women Veteran

Canicross Men Elite



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Canicross Women Elite

Canicross Men Veteran Canicross Women Veteran

Bikejor Men Jnr Bikejor Women Jnr

Canicross Men Jnr Canicross Women Jnr

17.00 Team Leader Meeting Including for Junior classes

Medal ceremonies during evening.

Team leader meeting for Rigs and Scooters.

Saturday 19th November

08.30 am Heat 1

Rig 8 dog Elite

Rig 6 dog Elite

Rig 4 dog Elite

Rig 4 dog Jnr

Scooter Two dog Elite Scooter One dog Elite Scooter One dog Junior

Heat 2

Bikejor Men Elite Bikejor Women Elite

Bikejor Men Veteran Bikejor Women Veteran

Canicross Men Elite Canicross Women Elite

Canicross Men Veteran Canicross Women Veteran

Bikejor Men Jnr Bikejor Men Jnr NB Bikejor Women Jnr Bikejor Women Jnr NB

Canicross Men Jnr Canicross Women Jnr

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17.30: Mandatory team leader meeting, results of the first day, last entry DCR

19:00 Evening Mushers Banquet

Sunday 20th November

08.00 Team Leader Meeting for Relay Hand in Names for DCR

08.30 Heat 2

Rig 8 dog Elite

Rig 6 dog Elite

Rig 4 dog Elite

Rig 4 dog Jnr

Scooter Two dog Elite Scooter One dog Elite Scooter One dog Junior

DCR - Relay (mixed canicross / scooter / bike).

Medal ceremonies Closing ceremonies

RACE OFFICIALS:

Race Marshal: Rüdiger Bartel - Germany

Chief Judge Johan Hendriks

Race Judges: Kurt Radschan and Girts Eldmis

GB Judge & Race Judge Trainees

1. Animal Welfare Judge: TBC

Race vet: TBC

Chief Timer: Alistair Spowart

Race regulations: IFSS RACE RULES;

PLEASE CONSULT THE IFSS WEBSITE. www.sleddogsport.net

Doping tests for drivers and dogs may be performed.

The following regulations and lists of forbidden substances will apply:

• IFSS Anti-Doping Regulations (Humans)

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- IFSS Anti-Doping Regulations (Dogs)
- WADA Prohibited list for humans and IFSS Prohibited list for dogs

All dogs participating shall be identified by micro chip before their arrival at the race site and shall be listed on the chipping form.

It is strictly forbidden to let dogs run loose at the stake out- & parking area during the event.

ANIMAL WELFARE:

Participants shall meet the applicable requirements as per the IFSS Sled Dog Care Guidelines and the recommendations.