

Quantock Quest, Somerset – 26th and 27th November 2011

Sponsored by ARDEN GRANGE

Entries Close: 19th November 2011

Mushers' Meeting: 4.30 pm Sat. - ALL MUST ATTEND / 8.30am Sun

Rig Inspection: From 3.00 pm on Sat

(All rigs must be inspected before the mushers meeting)

Start Times: 5:30 pm Sat / 9:30 am Sun (Alaskan style starts will be allowed by prior arrangement with the Rally Organiser)

Classes: Sat: B, C, E, E.2*, D, D.2; and

Sun: B, C, E, E.2*, D, D.2, J1, J2, Scooter (*if numbers allow)

Distance: Night Rally - All Classes- 2.2 miles / Day Rally - D, D2 and E, E.2 - 2.9 miles; B and C - 3.2 miles; Scooter - approx 1 mile, J1 and J2 – 0.5 to 1 ml.

Draw: Sat - Random Draw / Sun - seeded

Award Ceremony: At Meeting Area as soon as possible after last race on Sunday

Race Organiser: Mark Busby; Tel: 01837 851302 / E-Mail: markbuz@yahoo.co.uk

Entries to: Mark Busby (see brochure)

Veterinary Contact: Quantock Vet. Hospital. Castle St, Nether Stowey. 01278 450080

Local Doctor Bridgwater Hospital A&E, Salmon Parade, Bridgwater, TA6 5AH.

Tel: 01278 451501

Amenities: Catering Van and Toilets available on site

Trails: Two exciting roller coaster trails on hard packed aggregate with some straights, twists and turns to keep the dogs interested. Booting should not be required but is at the mushers discretion. **Part of the route into the forest will be used in the night rally, therefore no vehicles will be permitted into the forest after 5pm on Saturday.**

Accommodation: <http://www.quantockonline.co.uk>

Camping: Car park camping is available at the Cottage Inn (7 mins from rally site).

Please let the Organiser know if you wish to stay over.

RIGS MUST BE EQUIPPED WITH A LAMP powerful enough to light an area in front of the dogs far enough ahead for safe progress to be made. A car spotlight is ideal. PLEASE REMEMBER THAT WET CELL CAR BATTERIES ARE NOT ALLOWED, an alternative supply of power must be used, eg., a power pack. Connections to batteries must be at least crimped or soldered terminals, secure enough not to become detached should the rig be turned over. Tape must be applied to any glass lamps, but plastic lens are preferable. A back-up torch must be carried, preferably of the 'Petzle' headlamp type. TRAIL MARKERS will be reflective.

Directions: Great Wood, Ramscombe, Over Stowey, TA5 1HN, OS Ref: 317800,317600

From J23, M5 follow the signs to Bridgwater. Immediately after VW garage on right, take right turn (Wylds Road). At next traffic lights turn right and take A39 to Minehead. In approx. 3 mls after by-passing Cannington, fork left immediately after Cottage Inn on your right, signed to Over Stowey. After about a mile of winding roads, go straight over the crossroads (signposted Ramscombe, Over Stowey and Crowcombe) and take the second left, signposted "Adscombe and Ramscombe". Drive slowly as the road is very narrow and difficult to see oncoming traffic. Follow the road to a mini cross road. Go straight over (signposted Ramscombe). SHCGB signs will be posted from the Cottage Inn.

• TO HELP PREVENT THE SPREAD OF PHYTOPHTHORA RAMORUM COMPETITORS ARE ASKED TO WASH ANY MUD/DEBRIS FROM RIGS BEFORE ENTERING AND LEAVING THE FOREST

• IF YOU HAVE NOT COMPETED AT A RALLY BEFORE, TO AVOID ANY NEEDLESS ACCIDENTS, YOU CANNOT TREAT THE NIGHT RALLY AS YOUR FIRST RACE