



## CLASS REPORTER

A job which does seem to worry people is that of class reporter. Canine Freestyle GB is unique in that we give a report on everyone who is brave enough to enter the ring. Not just those who have been placed but everyone—including training rounds.

We feel that you have paid your money, entered the ring, so you all deserve a comment on your performance. This is not a judgement as the judges will do that part, but we suggest that you imagine that you are describing the routine to a friend who was unable to attend the show and you want to find all the positive things you can to say about them. It could be a comment about the costumes, props, attitude of the dog and handler, the story that is being told.

If you are asked to do this job and feel a little unsure, then spend some time reading the reports that others have given - past Newsletters are full of them.

You will find a clipboard for the class you are reporting on, with paper and a covering letter on the front like the one shown overleaf.



## NEWSLETTER COMPETITION REPORT

Many thanks for offering to write a report at **The CFGB Tomlinson's Competition**, your comments will be greatly appreciated by the competitors.

Correlating all the reports into the Newsletter is a huge task so if you could follow the guidelines below, it would be greatly appreciated by the Editor.

1 At the start of the report please state your name and the class that you are reporting on.

2 Please enter the name of the competitor and their running order number clearly at the start of each report. A note of any routines withdrawn from entry is also very useful.

**It is not necessary to write all the information, dog's name, date of birth, music etc. as this can be mailed to you. Please include a comment if the handler decides to do a Training Round. They have still paid for their time in the ring and deserve a comment.**

**A copy of the running order is included to help you**

3 Please do not write a "judge's" view but give your overall impression of the routine as a spectator, remembering it's good for competitors to read the positive aspects of a routine.

4 Finally, if you could type up your report and email it to Paul Ballard at [p.ballard@mac.com](mailto:p.ballard@mac.com) , it would be appreciated, but if you do not have email please post to the Club's PO Box.

If you find that you are unable to write your report at your allotted time please contact a member of the **Canine Freestyle GB** Committee as soon as possible so that alternative arrangements can be made.

Many thanks and enjoy your day.

Finally, it would be appreciated if you could write in full sentences, we all sometimes slip into the habit of writing as if we were texting and forget to add the "little words" in between. E.g., "dog came in and routine fantastic, handler lots of enthusiasm" so we have to add "The dog came in and did a fantastic routine with the handler showing lots of enthusiasm". A small niggle but a time consuming one as the report has to be virtually re-written, but, we would rather have that than no report at all,

Thanks.

Our reporters are **really** appreciated, many, many thanks to you if you take on this task.