SO YOU WANT TO SHOW YOUR DOG!!! ARE YOU READY FOR THIS EVENT?

Is your dog registered in your name? Is he/she 4 months old?

Have you joined the **Canine Control Council of Queensland (C.C.C.dogs) or any registered body in other states?** Have you obtained entry forms from the C.C.C.? If you have done all of this, the next procedure is to consult your journal for show dates suitable for your dog's age. (All Breeds & Specialist shows.) If any problem is met with filling in this form, check the back of your C.C.C.Queensland.dogs journal for Silky Breeders, who will be only too pleased to help you, I'm sure. 4 to 6 month old puppies can only be entered in Baby Puppy Class. **NO OTHER.**

Please check the back of the entry form if dog older than 6 months. Check the starting time of the show and make sure you arrive at the show with time to groom and walk your dog after being in the car. Allow at least 30 minutes, preferably longer.

On your arrival at a show, check with the secretary for **catalogue** and **number card**, there upon proceeding to the assembly area of your ring (most times Silkies or Yorkshire Terriers are judged in ring No. **1) Toys**

Silkies are the first breed judged in the Toy ring, so be at the ring entrance, listen for Steward to call your number, answer clearly when called, (Yorkshire Terriers most of the time last in the ring) proceed into ring with lead in left hand and dog on left side, walk smartly around the ring to the table, place your dog on the table close to the front edge. Control your dog by holding on to the lead, leaving enough room for the Judge to examine your dog.

REMEMBER YOUR DOG MUST BE ON YOUR LEFT AT ALL TIMES.

When the Judge has finished examining, place your dog on the ground, adjust the lead ready to walk your dog. Listen to the Judge's instructions of which

direction he wishes you to walk your dog. The Judge may leave you to one side while he examines other dogs or place your exhibit as he goes through the class It is manners to stay in the ring until placings have been announced (eg. 1st, 2nd, 3rd) then vacate the ring for the next class. If your dog is entered in a higher age class, do not leave the ringside until the Challenge — Best of Breed has been completed. If you have a win, you may be required for judging at the end of the Group. If in doubt ask the Steward if you will be needed for further judging.

Always be courteous and considerate of your fellow Exhibitors, Steward and Judge. Be a good sportsman, win or lose. Dog showing is a HOBBY.

DRESSING FOR THE SHOW RING:

A comfortable pair of shoes — you do have to walk over all types of ground. If you are wearing a skirt, make sure it does not flap around and hide your dog from the Judge. Slacks are suitable to wear, here again make sure color is such as to not hide your dog, **meaning**, **do not wear very dark slacks with a very dark colored dog**.

Things required for shows:- Water Dish * Water *Brush * Comb * Lead * Towel * Pin or Clip for number to be pinned on clothing * Chair * Table * Umbrella for shade (for dog and also yourself).

You could be at the show all day. Food and drinks are most of the time available at the show-ground.

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