

Crufts at a Glance

9 fun facts about one of the world's biggest dog shows.

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The fabric of which Crufts is woven combines story threads of every texture and hue. Those with a penchant for trivia will find much of interest in these pre- and post-show facts.

Crufts was admitted to the Guinness Book of Records as being the largest dog show in the world.

Total ground area for the halls and adjacent pavilions covered nearly 25 acres.

The biggest entry was in 1991, with a total of 22,993 dogs. This was Crufts centenary year.

951 overseas exhibitors from 32 different countries entered this year, and 5,000 other foreign visitors from all parts of the world came specifically to see the show.

Those unable to attend Crufts 2007 could expect to see it televised in 49 other countries.

Four breeds were shown in the U.K. for the first time: the Coton de Tulear, German Longhaired Pointer, Pyrenean Sheepdog and the Japanese Akita Inu, which is shown as a breed separate from the Akita.

Four other breeds achieved Champion status - the Glen of Imaal Terrier, Basset Fauve de Bretagne, Portuguese Water Dog and Australian Cattle Dog.

More than 140,000 spectators were counted through the turnstiles.

Of the 206 breeds recognized by the Kennel Club, 24 of the native British and Irish breeds are considered to be at risk of becoming extinct, with fewer than 100 registrations per breed per year.

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