

# **Open Hoopers Show**

By kind invitation of Exhall Grange Specialist School



# Held outdoors at: Exhall Grange Specialist School, Off Pro Logis Park, Easter Way, Coventry CV7 9JG

# Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023

1 outdoor, fenced rings approx. 30m X 30m

Closing Date: 17<sup>th</sup> April or sooner if oversubscribed.

On the day entries are unlikely to be available, entries capped at 250 runs.

#### UK Hoopers place with rosettes to a minimum of 3<sup>rd</sup> in all classes/sections.

Please ensure you have registered on <u>Hoopers.online</u> for online entries & results For more information and full Rules and Regulations see <u>WWW.UKHOOPERS.COM</u> Keep up to date, like **UK Hoopers** on Facebook for up-to-date information and/or join the **UK Hoopers – Everything Hoopers** Facebook group and the show specific group **UK Hoopers Shows – Official info & Updates** 

Entry Fees: £4.50 per run. On the day entries (if available) £5

Note: Trophies/Awards are based on pre entered numbers – pre entering increases the number of awards to be won at this event as well as enabling us to plan the timetable, please support show organisers and avoid disappointment by pre entering all runs. No postage charges apply, online paperless system used throughout.

## UK HOOPERS DOES NOT CHARGE MEMBERSHIP FEES. REGISTER AT <u>WWW.HOOPERS.ONLINE</u> COMPLETELY FREE OF CHARGE.

Show Managers – Sarah Fenby

Please direct enquiries to the show manager on 07534 253 432 (calls/text only between 9am and 7pm or on morning of show from 8am) or via email info@ukhoopers.com Local Vet/Medic details available at the show.

Please note that this show is being run by UK Hoopers and supported by the students of Exhall Grange Specialist School. This means that young people with a range of special educational needs and disabilities will be in attendance and will be helping on the day.

## Class Schedule

Classes are **NOT** expected to run in this order, ring plan will be issued at least 1 week prior to the event at <u>www.hoopers.online</u> Please refer to class numbers when entering.

|       | Sunday 7 <sup>th</sup> May                             |   |       |   |   |          |  |  |
|-------|--|---|-------|---|---|----------|--|--|
| ·     | Class  |   | Grade |   |   |          |  |  |
| Class |  | 1 | 2     | 3 | 4 | Туре     |  |  |
| 1     | Hoopers  | ~ | ~     |   |   | Combined |  |  |
| 2     | Hoopers  | √ | ✓     |   |   | Combined |  |  |
| 3     | Hoopers  |   |       | ✓ | ✓ | Combined |  |  |
| 4     | Hoopers  |   |       | ✓ | ~ | Combined |  |  |
| 5     | Speedstakes  | ~ | ~     | ~ | ~ | Open*    |  |  |
| 6     | Parcours – Websters Novice<br>Championship Qualifier   | ✓ | ~     |   |   | Graded   |  |  |
| 7     | Parcours   | ✓ | ~     |   |   | Combined |  |  |
| 8     | Parcours   |   |       | ~ | ✓ | Combined |  |  |
| 9     | Parcours   |   |       | ✓ | ✓ | Combined |  |  |
| 10    | Nursery & Legends Hoopers                              | ✓ | ✓     | ✓ | ✓ | Open*    |  |  |
| 11    | Nursery & Legends Parcours                             | 1 | ~     | ~ | 1 | Open*    |  |  |
| 12    | Exhall Grange Challenge (For<br>E.G.S.S Students Only) | ~ | ~     | ~ | ~ | Open*    |  |  |

\*Denotes Specials Class

#### **Class Descriptions**

**Hoopers** – A course consisting only of hoops.

**Parcours** – A course containing any combination of allowable equipment.

**Speedstakes** – A fast and flowing course built to test both speed and control.

**Nursery & Legends** – Special, non competitive class for A) Nursery dogs of 12 months to 15 months who are not yet eligible to compete. B) A dog of any grade who wishes to run in a non competitive class C) Veteran dogs who do not wish to progress through the grades. Note: Dogs entering Nursery & Legends are not eligible for any other classes at this event. Courses will be simple, straightforward and flowing and will contain 12-20 obstacles at 4m – 6m spacing. Clear round rosettes will be awarded to all clears, no placings or progression points are awarded for this class. A silent toy may be carried in the ring.

**Exhall Grange Challenge** – A straightforward course for E.G.S.S students to try their hand at hoopers with borrowed dogs! If you have a dog who would run for a student please let the show office know on the day and we will arrange a meet and greet. Handlers will be expected to enter the ring with the student and set the dog up ready to run and remain in the ring with them.

#### **Grading**

All standard classes have separate awards for Small, Large and Veteran dogs (Veteran & Veteran+ will be split if numbers allow). Open classes have 1 set of awards per class but will usually place to a higher number. Combined – both grades of dog will compete together with results split into Small, Large and Veteran. Graded– Separate awards for each section in each grade (Eg. G1 Small, G1 Large, G1 Veteran, G2 Small, G2 Large, G2 Veteran and so on)

Classes labelled with only one grade are graded classes which are open to dogs of that grade only.

### Please ensure you check your entry and select classes carefully, refunds will not be provided for entries into classes for which you are not eligible to run in.

**NFC runs** are available. A handler may choose to run NFC (Not for Competition) in any class in which they are eligible to compete. The handler must inform the scribe/judge upon entering the ring before commencing their run. The handler then has 60 seconds ring time and may train in the ring. **NFA** (Not for Award) runs are also available, please see rules for further details. A silent toy may be carried in the hand when running in Grade 1, NFC or Nursery & Legends

#### Yellow Dogs

Dog requiring extra space are collectively referred to as Yellow Dogs (please see <u>www.yellowdoguk.co.uk</u> for more). UK Hoopers are committed to providing a low stress, low arousal environment to help dogs become conditioned to sports competitions. If your dog requires extra space please ensure you tick the YELLOW DOG box on their hoopers.online profile. Yellow dogs queue separately to other dogs to allow everyone to help cater for their needs, they often run either first or last in a class. If you have a Yellow Dog you **MUST** wear an identifying yellow garment **AT ALL TIMES** around the showground – people won't be able to give you space unless they can identify that you need it. We implore all handlers to read the rule book carefully and provide additional space to dogs wearing yellow. Please note that it is not possible to create an entirely dog/person free environment at a competition and competitors are reminded to consider that there will be other dogs/people present at all times. Rulebook available at: <u>www.ukhoopers.com</u>

#### Fenced Rings

Rings will be fenced on 3 ½ sides at this event with an open entry and exit chute. Further to this, rings that join onto another, with a shared boundary, have an additional layer of fencing to create an enhanced visual barrier. Please remember that rings are fenced to provide a clear visual boundary, not to contain dogs, or as a substitute for appropriate training. It is your responsibility to ensure your dog is suitably trained to remain in the ring when competing.

#### Dog Section

Small – Dogs with an ulna measurement of 15cm or less.

Large – Dogs with an ulna measurement of 15.1cm or more.

**Veteran** – Dogs 7-10 yrs. **Veteran+** - Dogs 10yrs or over. (Dogs may run as a Veteran or not at the handlers choice. Once a dog competes as a Veteran they will remain as such).

#### <u>Awards</u>

All classes will place with rosettes to a minimum of 3<sup>rd</sup> place or to 20% of pre entries, whichever is higher. Clear Round rosettes will be available for unplaced, clear rounds. Prizes or trophies may be awarded based on pre-entered class numbers. Presentations will be made during the show, all awards must be collected before the show closes or shall be forfeited.

#### Full Rulebook

Can be viewed at www.ukhoopers.com competitors must read and understand the rules before entering and will be expected to comply at all times. The judges decision is final.

#### **Online Entries, Info & Scoring**

Schedule and entries will be available via https://hoopers.online

Entries will close on the date advertised or if the entry cap is reached, whichever is soonest. Amendments after this date will not be possible.

Online scoring will be used at this show. You can check results at hoopers.online any errors, omissions or queries must be raised within 10 minutes of the class closing and all results being input. Competitors must not approach a judge during a class to discuss your score, please consult the rulebook before attending which details scoring, allocation of faults and progression.

Some classes (such as pairs) may be run **PAY ON THE DAY** you will register and enter these classes at the show office on the day.

| Grade | UK Hoopers Eligibility                                     | CHUK Equivalent*   | Hooperholics<br>Equivalent* |
|-------|--|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1     | All dogs new to competition start here                     | Starters           | Starters                    |
|       | Dogs who have earned 1200 or more progress points at Grade | Novice             |                             |
| 2     | 1  | (Prev Beginners)   | Improvers                   |
|       | Dogs who have earned 1800 or more progress points at Grade | Intermediate (Prev |                             |
| 3     | 2  | Novice)            | Class C                     |
|       | Dogs who have earned 2500 or more progress points at Grade | Advanced           |                             |
| 4     | 3  | (Prev Masters)     | Class B                     |
|       | Dogs who have earned 3000 or more progress points at Grade | Masters            |                             |
| 5     | 4  | (Prev Elite)       | Class A                     |
|       | Dogs who have earned 3000 or more progress points at Grade |                    |                             |
| 6     | 5  |                    | Class A+                    |

#### Level Classification

\*For illustration/guide only

#### Food & Drink:

Some drinks and snacks may be available at the show, please bring a mug. Lunches will not be available.

#### Camping:

Camping is not available.

#### Exercise Area

Please follow instructions for exercise areas. No dogs off lead except when in the ring, please ensure all waste is picked up and removed from site. This is a school facility and is imperative that ALL waste and rubbish is removed. The school field is adjacent to Prologis Country Park where dogs are welcome.

#### Hoopers.Online

Please ensure that you are registered (both handlers and dogs) at Hoopers.online – it is 100% free of charge. Schedules – at hoopers.online Entries – at hoopers.online

Show Information – at hoopers.online in the week leading up to the event

Ring Status – during the show we will show live ring status for all rings at hoopers.online

Live Results – results are entered immediately for each run and are visible at hoopers.online.

Please note – hoopers.online is intended to be used for all info/scoring/ updates

#### Help at Shows

UK Hoopers has a really great team of volunteers who give back their time to the sport to create the most wonderful show days for everyone! If you think you've got what it takes to join Team Goose then get in touch, we offer some great perks but most importantly we have a great time too! If you don't want to dive right in, but can spare a few minutes at shows, we can always make use of an extra pair of hands, even if just for an hour!

#### Webster Novice Championship Qualifier

This class will count as one heat of the qualifying rounds and there are multiple qualifying heats throughout 2023.

The three highest placed dogs, in Grade 1, in all sections, instantly qualify for the finals. Points will be awarded to all other placings and clear rounds. Dogs placed in the top three placings through the heats will be invited to the final in July, remaining finalists will be drawn from the points table.

Only grade 1 dogs may qualify for the finals. Any dogs who may have qualified whilst Grade 1 but since graded up into grade 2 will still be invited to run in the finals.











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