## A 10 day Hoopers Extravaganza! Open Hoopers Show

## Friday 11th - Sunday 20th August 2023

## Held outdoors at: <br> Croxton Kerrial Sports \& Social Club <br> Middle Street, Croxton Kerrial, Grantham, NG32 1QP

Please note that competition is split over 2 weekends, Friday $11^{\text {th }}-$ Monday 14th and Friday $18^{\text {th }}$ - Sunday 20th. You can enter each weekend separately via hoopers.online

2 outdoor, fenced rings approx. $30 \mathrm{~m} \times 35 \mathrm{~m}$<br>Closing Date: $1^{\text {st }}$ August or sooner if oversubscribed

On the day entries may be available but are not guaranteed, late camping is not available. Entries capped at 2100 runs

UK Hoopers place with rosettes to a minimum of $3^{\text {rd }}$ in all classes/sections.
Trophies/ Awards are presented to classes/ sections with 10 or more dogs.
Please ensure you have registered on Hoopers.online for online entries \& results
For more information and full Rules and Regulations see WWW.UKHOOPERS.COM
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) $£ 5$. Pairs - $£ 6$ per pair
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. No postage charges apply, online paperless system used throughout.

UK HOOPERS DOES NOT CHARGE MEMBERSHIP FEES. REGISTER AT WWW.HOOPERS.ONLINE COMPLETELY FREE OF CHARGE.

Show Managers - Sarah Fenby
Please direct enquiries to the show manager on 07534253432 (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. First Aid point: Show Office

## Class Schedule

Classes are NOT expected to run in this order, ring plan and all event info will be issued prior to the event at www.hoopers.online Please refer to class numbers when entering.


| Saturday $12^{\text {th }}$ August | Class |  | Grade |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Type |
|  | 14 | Hoopers | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |  | Graded |
|  | 15 | Hoopers |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | Graded |
|  | 16 | Hoopers | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |  | Combined |
|  | 17 | Hoopers |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | Combined |
|  | 18 | Speedstakes | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | Open* |
|  | 19 | Parcours | $\checkmark$ |  |  |  | Graded |
|  | 20 | Parcours |  | $\checkmark$ |  |  | Graded |
|  | 21 | Parcours |  |  | $\checkmark$ |  | Graded |
|  | 22 | Parcours |  |  |  | $\checkmark$ | Graded |
|  | 23 | Parcours | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |  | Combined |
|  | 24 | Parcours |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | Combined |
|  | 25 | Nursery \& Legends* Hoopers | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | Open* |
|  | 26 | Nursery \& Legends* Parcours | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | Open* |


| Sunday $13^{\text {th }}$ August | Class |  | Grade |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | Type |
|  | 27 | Hoopers | $\checkmark$ |  |  |  | Graded |
|  | 28 | Hoopers |  | $\checkmark$ |  |  | Graded |
|  | 29 | Hoopers |  |  | $\checkmark$ |  | Graded |
|  | 30 | Hoopers |  |  |  | $\checkmark$ | Graded |
|  | 31 | Hoopers | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |  | Combined |
|  | 32 | Hoopers |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | Combined |
|  | 33 | Pairs (POTD) | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | Open* |
|  | 34 | Parcours | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |  | Graded |
|  | 35 | Parcours |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | Graded |
|  | 36 | Parcours | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ |  |  | Combined |
|  | 37 | Parcours |  |  | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | Combined |
|  | 38 | Nursery \& Legends* Hoopers | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | Open* |
|  | 39 | Nursery \& Legends* Parcours | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | $\checkmark$ | Open* |



## Hooperfest returns for the $4^{\text {th }}$ year!

## How it works:

Hooperfest is a 10 day hoopers extravaganza, in 2020, 2021 \& 2022 it was by far the biggest hoopers event in the UK and an indescribable amount of fun! 2023 is set to be even more fun!

Unofficially starting on Thurs $10^{\text {th }}$ August for camping arrivals, the good stuff gets going on Friday $11^{\text {th }}$ for the first of 4 consecutive days of competition running until Monday. "Day trippers" are welcome to enter any competitive runs on any days and join us during the day. Day parking is available each and every day of competition, however please remember that this allows access to the site for competition only and does not include evening entertainment or meals.
Then after the first weekend of competition, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday are open to ticket holders only and on Tuesday and Thursday we will enjoy taking part in a range of different workshops including hoopers, scentwork, canine conditioning and more, as well as the opportunity to take your Hooperstar Challenge Awards too. There is training from a number of different instructors in a wide range of different sessions so there will almost certainly be something for everyone.
Returning for 2023! We are thrilled the 2 international judges and trainers, who visited us last year, are back! Once again, we will have the opportunity to run European style courses and train with two of the top overseas trainers and handlers too. It may be possible to offer any unfilled workshop places to those who aren't attending all 10 days, if this is the case then we will advertise these via facebook once 10 day camping and non residential ticket holders have had an opportunity to book their workshop choices.
Wednesday is our complete doggy day off, a non-washing up day for everyone and a rest day for our four legged friends. Competition will begin again on the Friday for three days.

## Ticket Types Explained

10 Day HooperFest Ticket - This is the general ticket and is the ultimate ticket to have. This is a full access 10 day pass with camping. It gives the ticket holder the full hoopers holiday experience including 10 nights camping, a range of entertainment, BBQ lunch, takeaway tea, plus access to book on any training workshops. This ticket type is sold out for 2023.

10 Day Non Residential Ticket - This is exactly the same as the main ticket option above, except it doesn't include camping, everything else is included though. Book at www.bookwhen.com/ukhoopers

Half a Hooperfest - These are very strictly limited tickets and will give you the chance to do "half" of Hooperfest, half the price, half the holiday! Book at www.bookwhen.com/ukhoopers

Competition Only - You don't need a ticket for this one, just enter any (or all!) of the competition days as normal at https://hoopers.online and turn up to compete. There's no access to site after competition has closed, no entertainment or catering is included (burger van available during show times).

## FAQ:

## How do I enter the competition classes?

Enter as normal at https://hoopers.online you will see a separate event for each weekend of competition. Pay on the day entries may not be available so make sure you enter before the closing date.

## How do I book workshops?

All eligible ticket holders will receive an email with details of how to book when workshop bookings are available, remember these MUST be prebooked.

Can I just come for a workshop day?
Probably not. Hooperfest ticket holders have priority booking for workshops. IF there are any places remaining then we may open these up to others but this has not been possible in previous years due to demand.
l've got a camping ticket can my friend/partner/child share with me?
Absolutely! Bring the whole family if you want to! If there are 2 (or more) of you sharing a camping place then you can both book workshops and will both enjoy entertainment. There will be a small extra charge for additional catering for extra people that's all.

## Can I work more than 1 dog?

Heck yes! The more the merrier, just make sure you check the timings of workshops so you don't have a clash.



*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 designed to test speed and accuracy.
Pairs - 2 dogs, 2 handlers negotiate the course for a single score \& time
Time, Fault \& Out - A dog will be 'out' when they either incur a fault or reach the maximum permitted time for that course. Until they make a fault or run out of time, the dog will continue around the course completing as many obstacles as possible. The winner is the dog who completed the highest number of obstacles in the shortest time.
Memory Madness - How good is your memory? Walk the course with numbers but the numbers will be removed before the class starts.
Trio Teams - A team event made up of 3 handlers and 3 dogs for a single time and score.
Tunnel Exchange - Two handlers, one dog. The dog will start the course with one handler and the second handler will take over at the tunnel to finish the course.
Hooperfest Hoolie! - A special class ONLY for people who have a Hooperfest 10 day ticket (or half ticket). A fast and flowing course which is free to enter for Hooperfest ticket holders.
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 $4 \mathrm{~m}-6 \mathrm{~m}$ 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.
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 www.yellowdoguk.co.uk 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: www.ukhoopers.com

## Fenced Rings

Rings will be fenced on $31 / 2$ 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. Ready zones will be used.

## Dog Section

Small - Dogs with an ulna measurement of 15 cm or less.
Large - Dogs with an ulna measurement of 15.1 cm 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).

## Awards

All classes will place with rosettes to a minimum of $3^{\text {rd }}$ place or to $20 \%$ of pre entries, whichever is higher. Clear Round rosettes will be available for unplaced, clear rounds (unplaced means no placing rosette is awarded). 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.
Trophies/ Awards will be presented to classes/ sections of more than 10 pre-entered dogs.

## 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 may be run PAY ON THE DAY you will register and enter these classes at the show office on the day.
Cancellation or amendment of entries should be requested by email before the closing date to info@ukhoopers.com. There will be a small administration charge deducted from refund requests

Level Classification

| Grade | UK Hoopers Eligibility | CHUK Equivalent* | Hooperholics <br> Equivalent* |
| :---: | :--- | ---: | ---: |
| $\mathbf{1}$ | All dogs new to competition start here | Starters | Starters |
| $\mathbf{2}$ | Dogs who have earned 1200 or more progress points at Grade <br> 1 | Novice <br> (Prev Beginners) | Improvers |$|$| $\mathbf{3}$ | Dogs who have earned 1800 or more progress points at Grade <br> $\mathbf{2}$ | Intermediate (Prev <br> Novice) |
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*For illustration/guide only

## 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


## Daytime activities \& evening entertainment

There is something to do every day at HooperFest. Evening entertainment will be in the marquee, bring your own beer and snacks and settle in for a great fun night with friends old and new. All entertainment aims to be completed by 10 pm each evening.

| HooperFest 2023 Activities Schedule |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Day | Daytime | Evening |
| Friday 11th | Competition | Quiz |
| Saturday 12th | Competition | Ribbon Wreath Making |
| Sunday 13th | Competition | Boardgames |
| Monday 14th | Competition | Breakfast Club / Course Running / Trainir | Gameshow Night | Pizza \& Live Music (Food Inc) |
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| Tuesday 15th |
| Wednesday 16th |
| HooperFest Olympics (Food Inc) |
| Thursday 17th |
| Triday 18th |
| Competition |
| Competition |
| Sunday 20th |



HooperFest 2023 Workshop Schedule

| Day / Time | Ring 1 | Ring 2 | Marquee | Paddock |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tuesday Morning | 10am Clear Round Course <br> Running <br> Courses set at Grade 1/2 for <br> anv grade of dog | 10am Clear Round Course <br> Running <br> Courses set at Grade 3/4 for <br> anv grade of dog | Breakfast Club 9am <br> Cooked/Continental Breakfast <br> Buffet |  |
| Tuesday Afternoon | HooperStar Level 1 \& 2 <br> with Becci Bowman \& Jennie <br> Foster | Tricks Workshop <br> with Heather Weiderman | Conditioning for sports dogs <br> who are "fighting fitness" with <br> Tara Masson Vet.Phys |  |
| Thursday Morning | International Course Running <br> with Tiziana <br> Tedesco/Alexandra Bonner | HooperStar Level 3 \& 4 with <br> Jennie Foster | Thai Massage | Introduction to Scentwork <br> With Hazel Kemble |
| Thursday Afternoon | International Course Running <br> with Tiziana <br> Tedesco/Alexandra Bonner | HooperStar Level 5 \& 6 with <br> Becci Bowman | Thai Massage |  |

## Food \& Drink:

A range of hot and cold food and drinks will be available from Fatknacks Diner during breakfast and lunch on competition days. Classic cooked breakfast items from rolls to full English including vegetarian options and hot and cold lunches, salads, wraps, burgers, jacket potatoes and more at very reasonable prices.

## Camping:

Water is available and there is a toilet emptying point. Showers are available in the clubhouse. There is no hook-up. Generators are permitted between 8 am and 8 pm please position them with consideration of your neighbours.

- Only Park where directed.
- All units must carry a fire extinguisher or have a bucket of water at the front of the unit at all times.
- Training equipment is not allowed to be used on site.
- No Fires or firepits. BBQ's must be off the ground (BBQ may be prohibited subject to ground conditions)
- Arrivals strictly after 2 pm Thursday. NO arrivals before this time.
- No arrivals after 9pm any evening.


## Directions to the Venue

Croxton Kerrial is on the A607 between Melton Mowbray and Grantham. The postcode brings you to Middle Street, if you are coming up hill (From Melton Mowbray/A46) this is the $2^{\text {nd }}$ LEFT. If you are coming downhill from Grantham (A1/A52) this is the $2^{\text {nd }}$ RIGHT.
Follow MIDDLE STREET all the way along, you will pass the Church (on your right hand side) and just after the church is a LEFT HAND BEND, the entrance is immediately after this bend, please indicate RIGHT as you approach the bend and turn up the driveway between 2 hedges. There will be a cone or a sign marking the entrance also.
What 3 Words ///cube.garlic.wedge

## Local Amenities

There are 2 Travelodge's within 20 minutes at Grantham and Colsterworth and lots of other local accommodation.
We have a fabulous shop in the village for essentials (including home made cakes, fresh coffee and locally made ice cream!), also the village store in Knipton (the next village) sells Calor gas.

## Exercise Area

There is an off lead exercise area in the small paddock next to the show field. Entry is via the hand gate under the tree from day parking. Only 2 off lead dogs per person during show times, all poo must be bagged and removed. Do not use/move equipment and do not allow dogs to pee on equipment, fencing or furniture. Poo bags (and all other rubbish) must be disposed of in black bags only, not in any other bin. Dogs must not be exercised in the play park and the bin in the park MUST NOT BE USED.
There are also some really lovely local walks accessible directly from the show field.
All dog waste must be picked up immediately, failure to do so will result in removal from the event.

## Recycling

Please place CLEAN recycling in the GREEN bags. This includes paper, card and tin. No poo bags, food wrappers, plastic wrapping or general rubbish in these bins. Please help us to do our bit for the environment by using the correct bins for your rubbish.

## 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 often make use of an extra pair of hands, just volunteer at the show office.


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