



**PAWS IN THE PARK  
HOOPERS TRIAL  
SAT 19TH & SUN 20TH MAY 2018  
South of England Showground,  
Ardingly, West Sussex, RH17 6TL**

**WITH GRATEFUL THANKS TO THE PAWS IN THE PARK ORGANISERS  
AND TOUCHANGO K9 FOR THEIR SUPPORT AND SPONSORSHIP**  
Hoopers and Barrellers is a form of agility from America using 3 main items:  
Hoopers, Barrels and Pipe Tunnels

**There are no contacts, weaves or actual jumping.  
The emphasis is on the dog using its natural gait and speed on low impact courses, with  
clear paths for the dog to run as smoothly as possible.  
Bonuses are gained for handling the dog without running alongside.**

**SHOW OPENS 8:30AM. CLASSES START 9:00AM.**

**SATURDAY CLASSES**

1. Hoopers & Tunnels – Starters
2. Barrellers & Tunnels – Starters
3. Hoopers 2 – Starters
4. Barrellers & Hoopers – Starters

**SUNDAY CLASSES**

5. Hoopers & Tunnels – Starters
6. Barrellers & Tunnels – Starters
7. Hoopers 2 – Starters
8. Barrellers & Hoopers – Starters

**ENTRY FEE: £3.00 per dog per class if entered before 19th April 2018.**

Pay on the day entries: £3.50 per dog per class  
£1 from every entry is a donation to the canine charities supported by Paws in the Park.

Enter online at [agility-time.net/pitphoopers](http://agility-time.net/pitphoopers)

Paper Postal Entries Cheque made out to Angela Lucas

**Please add on your entry if you will require a day pass**

**Class Descriptions**

**Hoopers** – A course mainly of Hoops, additional tunnels.

**Barrellers** – A course consisting of Hoops, Barrels and Tunnels.

**Hoopers 2** – A course made purely of Hoops.

**Barrellers & Hoopers** – a course with no tunnels.

**Tunnels used will be of a 60 cm diameter.**

**Dog Heights**

**Micro/Small** – to a max shoulder height of 350mm

**Medium** – between shoulder height of 351mm and 500mm

**Large** – Dogs over 501mm at shoulder

**Level Classification**

**Starters** – for dogs, owners and handlers who have trained in Hoopers in the last 6 months.  
All dogs start here.

**Prizes (Rosettes sponsored by Touchango K9)**

1-3 in each class, small, medium and large categories, each day

**Veteran** – there will be separate prize for the best Small, Medium and Large veteran over 8 years  
in each class.

Places will be determined by clear rounds, points gained and fastest time.

## GENERAL REGULATIONS FOR HOOPERS

- Dogs must be a minimum of 15 months of age in order to compete at competition.
- Any dog, that is fit and healthy and trained in Hoopers in the last 6 months is eligible to enter.
- No puppies under the age of 12 weeks allowed to attend shows.
- No Bitches in season will be allowed to compete
- Paws in the Park organisers and Angela's Canine Academy reserves the right to refuse entry fees.
- Competitors are expected to behave in a civilised and sportsmanlike manner towards other people and dogs. Failure to do so may lead to being disqualified, and to leave the competition
- No competitors, handlers or spectators, or their dogs may enter a ring when it is out of use.
- Children are the responsibility of their parents or guardians at all times whilst in attendance.
- Judges have the authority to exit dogs and handlers from their rings. The Judge's decision is final.
- Show Managers have the authority to dismiss any dog or person from the show.
- The Show Manager's decision is final.
- All dogs and persons entered at Paws in the Park shows are entered at their own risk. Whilst every care will be taken to ensure the health and safety of all attendees, Hoopers Show Managers will not be held responsible for loss, damage or injury however caused, to dogs, persons or property whilst at the event.
- Dogs new to Competition Hoopers welcome, but it is recommended they have been in training for Hoopers within the last 6 months.
- Food shall not be carried in the hand or given to a dog in the ring, even if it is a training round.
- Toys - Please refrain from using them to over excite the dog next to the ring.
- **PLEASE NOTE: this is a public event. Please park where directed. Keep your vehicle secure at all times. If you need to leave your dog in your vehicle, make sure it is shaded and properly ventilated. The organisers will be take security steps if a dog is found to be in distress.**
- Running orders will be posted on the website of [agility-time.net](http://agility-time.net). If you require a paper copy add 60p to entry – **DO NOT SEND SAEs**. Day parking passes will be issued at the gate if your name is on the list. Passengers must pay full entry fee.

## JUDGING GUIDELINES FOR THE SHOW

- The courses will be approximately 15 obstacles.
- The gaps between the obstacles will be between 5-8 metres.
- Tunnels will be in straight lines.
- Handlers can run with their dogs. However, to collect bonus points, handlers can choose to do the course from a marked area. No bonus will be granted if they cross the boundary to assist their dog.
- The equipment used will be Hoopers, 24" x 30"; pipe tunnels of 60cm diameter, and large barrels approximately 3ft high and 24" diameter.

## MARKING

- Running past any obstacle – 5 faults. **DO NOT RETAKE THE OBSTACLE**. The emphasis is on a smooth run. 3 run-bys = Elimination
- Out of control/leaving the ring/fouling the ring = elimination
- Going the wrong way around barrel, or through hoopers/tunnel = elimination.
- Exceeding the maximum course time = 1 fault for every second taken (rounded up to nearest second).
- The Bonus area will be determined by the Judge. It will either be a dividing line, or a shape within the course area. It will be defined by tape or other safety markers on the floor, weighted down. Leaving the bonus area to assist the dog will result in no bonus.
- Barrels must be completed by the dog according to the location of the number. If the number is to the left of the barrel, the dog must start the obstacle from that side. If the number is on top of the barrel, it indicates the dog can pass either side without penalty.
- The numbers for barrels will be situated 3 feet from the item. If the dog passes outside that number, it will not be considered a fault.
- Any other queries on marking will be decided between show organiser and Judges.
- Ordinary collars will be allowed in the ring. However, half check collars, harnesses or headcollars should be removed before running.
- Although there are no jump heights dogs will run in order according to size. Please stick to your running order in your dog's size.
- Veteran dog classes will be the same course and have their own awards.
  - **POINTS FOR CLEAR ROUNDS AND BONUSES**. Points will be awarded for the clear rounds within time. 10 points for 10 seconds or more under course time. 5 points for 5-10 seconds under course time. 2 points for 0-5 seconds under course time. Bonus 10 points are available for achieving clear round handling from the bonus area. For clear rounds, points will decide placings. Ties on points will be decided by time.
- Dogs entered at this competition need not be registered with the Kennel Club, however they must be of 15 months of age and capable of doing all equipment unaided.

## DISTANCE HANDLING BONUS

- All dogs welcome to enter Distance Handling Challenge. The Handler must declare before they run.
- There will be an option to work the dog around the course with minimum movement. There will be a marked area for the handler to stand in, or a boundary bonus line. To gain bonus marks, the run must be a clear round, and the handler stays within the area or does not pass the boundary bonus line. If the handler leaves the bonus area to assist the dog, the bonus will be invalid. It will be the judges' decision to define the bonus.

Camping for paws in the park can be booked by using the following link to their website:

<http://www.pawsinthepark.net/buy-tickets/weekend-camping>

# HOOPERS SHOW – PAWS IN THE PARK – 19<sup>th</sup> – 20<sup>th</sup> MAY 2018

Postal entries with a cheque (made to “Angela Lucas”) to: Angela Lucas, 14 Mulberry Close, Eastbourne, BN22 0TU.

0741 5859360, message me on [facebook.com/angela.lucas.1044](https://www.facebook.com/angela.lucas.1044) or email [lucas.a3@sky.com](mailto:lucas.a3@sky.com)

Day parking passes will be issued at the gate **only** if your name is on the list – you **must** tick the boxes\* on the entry form. Passengers must pay full entry fee.

To enter online visit us at [agility-time.net/pitphoopers](http://agility-time.net/pitphoopers)



DOG NAME	BREED	DOB	SEX	SIZE	VETERAN	SAT 19 <sup>TH</sup> MAY				SUN 20 <sup>TH</sup> MAY				
		DD/MM/YY	D/B	S/M/L	TICK	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	

HANDLER NAME	
ADDRESS	
POSTCODE	
TELEPHONE	
E-MAIL	

<b>ENTRIES AND FEES</b> – Cheques to “Angela Lucas” Post to Angela Lucas, 14 Mulberry Close Eastbourne BN22 0TU.		
# _____	CLASSES @ £3.00 EACH	£ _____ . 00
POSTAGE 60p <b>Please do NOT send SAEs</b>		£ 0 . 60
TOTAL FEES <b>Entries not accepted w/o payment</b>		£ _____ . 60
DAY PARKING PASS * (Check boxes to indicate days required)		SAT <input type="checkbox"/>   SUN <input type="checkbox"/>
I declare that my dog(s) are healthy and fit to compete in this event and that I have read, understood and agree to be bound by the show rules and regulations.		
SIGNATURE		