

at  
Abbey Farm,  
Abbey Lane, Ampthill, Bedford MK45 2FX

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**Sunday**  
**25<sup>th</sup> February 2024**

Entries close: 20<sup>th</sup> February 2024

Classes will be held outdoors in three fenced rings, with baseless hoops.  
Each handler will be allocated a 2-hour time slot to be on site and complete their runs.  
There will be hot and cold drinks available and snacks. No hot food catering.

As this is outdoor in winter please be prepared for all weathers, we have a building on site and will run a wood burner if required. Suitable foot ware for running on grass should be worn.

**Show Manager:** Jo-Ann Essex – [jo@scruffydogs.co.uk](mailto:jo@scruffydogs.co.uk)  
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**Enter online at:** <https://www.javawolf.co.uk>

Entry Fees: £15 for all three eligible classes per day  
(Classes may not be entered individually)

\*\*\* Equipment used at event: Baseless Hoops, Barrels and Tunnels. \*\*\*

\*\*\* Electronic Timing \*\*\* Live online results \*\*\*

\*\*\* Top 15% placed in class, trophies to 3rd \*\*\*

Live scores, class updates & results will be available at <https://www.javawolf.co.uk/>

## Classes

### Sunday

Class 1 Hoopers (Beginners)  
Class 2 Barrels (Beginners)  
Class 3 Allsorts (Beginners)

Class 4 Hoopers (Intermediate)  
Class 5 Barrels (Intermediate)  
Class 6 Allsorts (Intermediate)

Class types:

- Hoopers – A course consisting of just hoops.
- Barrels – A course consisting of hoops and barrels.
- Allsorts – A course consisting of hoops, barrels, and tunnels.

Entering the correct class:

- The booking system will choose the correct class based on your dog's profile.
- When creating the profile use the table below to choose the grade for your dog based on grade at other shows.

<b>Javawolf</b>	<b>For the love of Hoopers</b>	<b>UK Hoopers</b>	<b>CHUK</b>	<b>HUK</b>	<b>Kelluki Hoopers</b>	<b>Jumping Jacks</b>
Beginners	Level 1 & 2	Grade 1 & 2	Starter & Novice	Starter & Improver	Level 1 & 2	Pre-intro, Introductory, Primary, and Novice
Intermediate	Level 3, 4, & 5	Grade 3, 4, 5, & 6	Intermediate, Advanced & Masters	Class C, B, & A	Level 3	Graduate and Masters

Each class is open to Small, Large, Veteran dogs.

The course for each class will be the same for all sizes.

NFC/Training runs will be allowed (max 60 seconds), a silent toy and non-crumbling treats fed from the hand may be used. No Bum-Bags, Treat Pouches or Leads to be worn during your runs.

Each group will be able to course walk & run each class.

Full details of time slots and group information will be made available with your running orders.

### Dog size categories

Small – dogs with an ulna length less than 15cm

Large – dogs with an ulna length greater than 15.1cm

Veteran – dogs over 7 years of age

Measuring can be performed on the day if unsure.

Dogs do not need to be officially registered or measured but must have received appropriate Hoopers training and be able to negotiate all equipment in a safe manner.

### Awards

Trophies/Medals: In each class/height for first, and second or third if in the top 15%

Placed Rosettes: To at least 15% of the class/height.

Clear Round Rosettes: In all classes.

Results for each class will be split by size (S, L, & V).

Rosettes & Awards will be posted out after the show.

## **Class Scoring and Results**

### **Distance Time Points**

EVERY course will contain a minimum of one Distance line(s)/section(s)/box(es)/circle(s) for which handlers can gain Distance Time points.

1. The distance-time points are converted into seconds and deducted from the dog time.
2. It is up to the judge to decide what kind of distance line/section/box they use and the number of distance time points which will be allocated. A minimum of one and maximum of five distance- time points must be allocated for each course.
3. The judge needs to clearly brief competitors and/or mark sections/lines for which distance time points can be gained as well as how many distance time points can be gained from which section/line.

### **Scoring**

1. The fastest clear (no faults) END-time wins.
  2. End-Time Calculation
    - a. The end-time consists of dog time minus distance time points converted into seconds. i. For example; Dog Time (12.5s) – Distance Time Points (2s) = End Time (10.5s)
  3. Only clear runs are classified as qualifying rounds.
- Standard Course Time is 60 seconds.
- Time Faults will be given if a dog runs a course without faults but outside the standard course time.

### **Faults will be allocated as follows:**

1. End-time will be calculated, and faults will be allocated separately on top. Faults will be allocated at the judge's discretion, but judging must remain consistent throughout the day.
2. Missing an obstacle – 5 faults will be added.
3. Refusal - 5 faults will be added if a dog is in a position to take an obstacle but turns or moves away from it and is clearly leaving the path of the course.
4. In case the first or last obstacle is missed, the standard course time (60 seconds) will be allocated and 5 faults recorded.

### **Elimination will occur in the following circumstances:**

1. Starting course before given permission by judge or scribe.
2. The handler puts the dog back through a hoop which the dog has missed.
3. Three or more missed and/or refused obstacles.
4. Wrong course. Taking an obstacle in the wrong order or direction.
5. Fouling in the ring.
6. Food in the ring unless running NFC.
7. Holding anything other than a walking aid in your hand. (Except in NFC runs; where using a silent toy and non-crumble food in the ring is allowed.)
8. Wrong or disallowed equipment on dog whilst in the ring (body harness, coat/rug, head-collar, slip-collar, any kind of electrical devices, prong or choke-chain, multiple collars). Dogs are only permitted to wear a close-fitting collar with no dangling attachments when under test.
9. Harsh physical or verbal handling of your dog.

### **Course Design**

Judges are solely responsible for the design of their courses. When designing a course, a judge needs to ensure that the course is flowing, and the safety of the dog and handler is of the utmost importance.

The course should be smooth and flowing with a straight approach to tunnels. No wraps, pull-throughs or round the backs are allowed in the design of any course.

Courses will consist of 15 – 25 obstacles and be a suitable size for the ring. The spacing between consecutive obstacles should be between 5 and 10 meters.

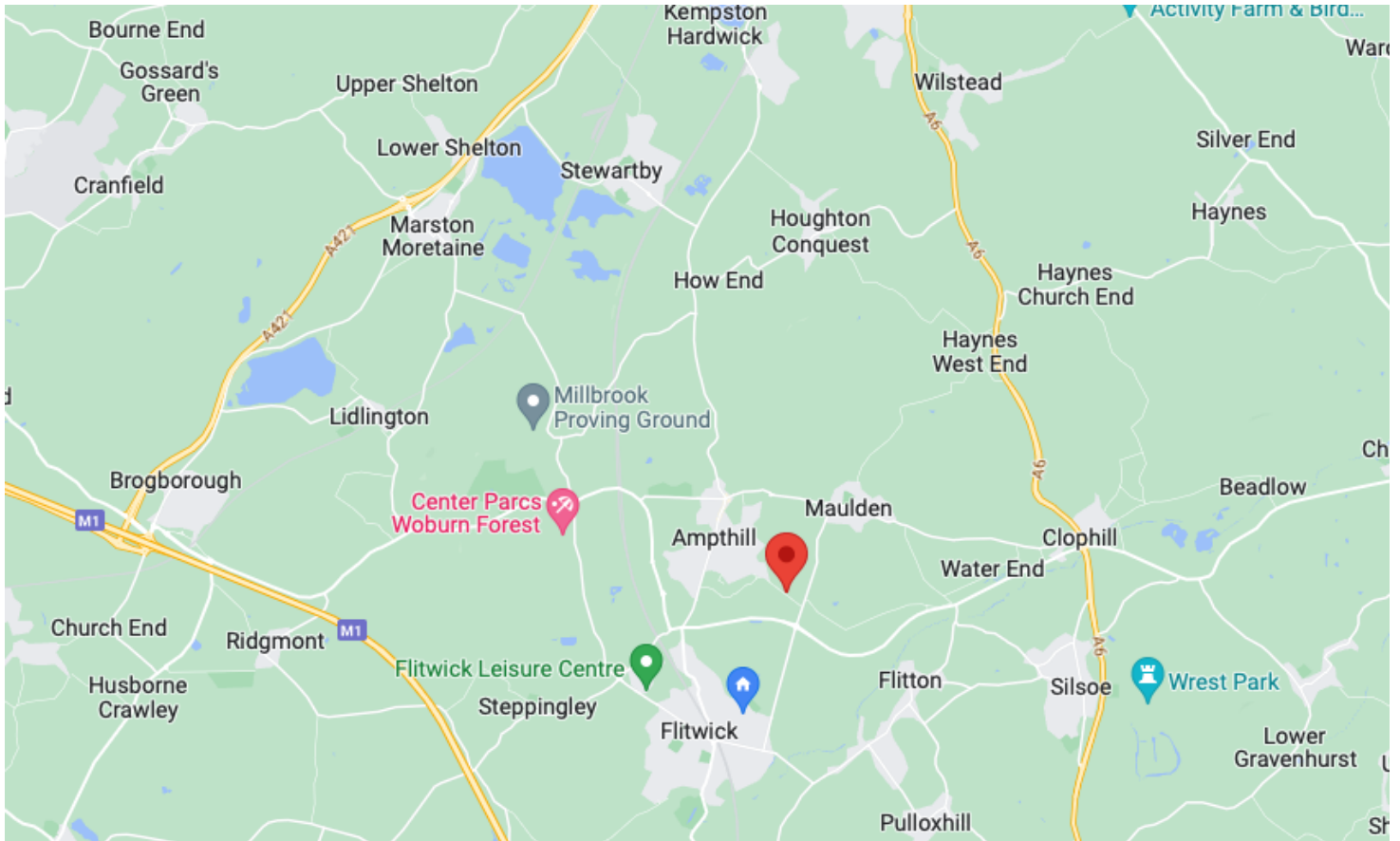
## **RULES AND REGULATIONS**

1. Dogs entered at this show must have received appropriate Hoopers training and be able to negotiate all equipment in a safe manner.
2. Entry fees £15.00 for three eligible classes.
3. Javawolf Hoopers reserves to itself the right to refuse entries.
4. Dogs under 15 calendar months of age on the day of the show are not eligible to compete.
5. Dogs aged under four calendar months may attend the show 'not for competition' but are not permitted ringside.
6. Bitches in season can compete but must notify show manager who will instruct you when to run. No pregnant bitch is allowed to compete.
7. No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of a dog at any time.
8. Dogs must not wear any type of slip, half-slip collar or lead, harness or muzzle during a run. A flat, close fitting, leather or webbing collar is permitted, providing the only attachment is a plain identification panel as an integral part of the collar i.e. not attached by a ring.
9. No competitor shall impugn the decision of the Judge or Judges.
10. A dog shall be withdrawn from competition and removed from a Hoopers Show if it is:-
  - a. A pregnant bitch.
  - b. Suffering from any infectious diseases or contagious disease.
  - c. Interfering with the safety or chance of winning of an opponent.
  - d. Of such temperament or is so much out of hand as to be a danger to the safety of any person or other animal.
  - e. Likely to cause suffering to the dog if it continues competing.
11. Handlers observe the following:
  - a. Do not allow your dog to approach unfamiliar dogs without permission by their handler.
  - b. Do not tether your dog to the ring boundaries or equipment when walking the course or at any other time.
  - c. Please make sure you arrive at the ring in time for your class.
  - d. Please do not allow your dog to bark, lunge or stare at dogs in the queue or in the ring.
  - e. When queuing please keep a minimum of 2 meters distance to dogs in front of you.
  - f. Be mindful when playing with or warming up your dog in or around the queue as not to affect others.
  - g. Do not obstruct the entrance or the exit of the rings and stay back a minimum of 2 meters from the ring boundaries.
  - h. Dogs must be on lead at all times other than during competition or when safe to do so in the enclosed exercise area.
12. In the event that the show is cancelled, Javawolf Hoopers will refund fees, less any incurred expenses, within one calendar month of the day of the show.
13. Training aids and toys are not allowed to be used in the ring until the last obstacle is completed (a silent toy and non-crumbling treats fed from the hand may be used for NFC/Training runs). No Bum-Bags, Pouches, or leads to be worn in the ring.
14. It is the responsibility of the owner/handler to ensure their dog is 'fit for function' and that they themselves are fit to take part. By accepting the declaration you confirm that to the best of your knowledge your dog is fit and able to take part in Hoopers classes on the day of the show.
15. No dogs suffering from infectious or contagious disease or having been exposed to such disease during the period of 21 days prior to the Competition may attend the show.
16. It is the competitors' responsibility to be available for their class and running order. Full details of time slots and group information will be made available with your running orders.
17. Any handler or other person in charge of a dog is required to remove as soon as possible any fouling caused by their dog(s); failure to do so may result in removal from the show.
18. If your dog is found to be at risk, forcible entry to your vehicle may be necessary without liability for any damage caused.
19. All dogs are entered at this show at their owners risk and whilst every care will be taken, the management of the show will not accept responsibility for loss, damage or injury however caused to dogs, persons or property whilst at the show.
20. Javawolf Hoopers reserve the right to limit or close entries before the published closing date if necessary.
21. Javawolf Hoopers or their authorised agents may make results from this show publicly available and share results with third parties for the same purpose.
22. Children are the responsibility of a Parent or Guardian and must be always supervised.
23. Rosettes to the top 15% down to 4<sup>th</sup> and Trophies to 1<sup>st</sup> in every class and the top 15% down to 3<sup>rd</sup>. Class numbers will be counted at the time the show entries closed.

## Venue

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- Park as directed by the parking stewards. In the event of very wet weather, you may be asked to park closer together as some parking may not be suitable for all vehicles.
- The venue is near a busy road, so the gate will be kept shut. The gate will be manned during entry and exit times but if you need to leave early or arrive late you may need to open the gate and close it behind you.
- There will be an exercise area available, please respect others and give them space when using this area.
- Pick up after your dog, and please take it away with you.
- No camping will be available.
- If you would like to be in the same group as friends, please indicate this when entering the show and we will do our best to group you together.