

# AGILITY NUTS

*Independent Agility Show*



**Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> August and Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2008**

**Venue: Park Land Stables, Ruddington, Nottingham, NG11 6LJ**

**Show opens: 7:30 a.m.  
Judging Commences 8:30 a.m.**



**Entries close 21<sup>st</sup> July 2008 (Postmark)**

- Entry Fees:** £2.30 per dog per class  
£4.60 per pair
- Camping:** £15 per unit (weekend)
- Entries to:** Agility Nuts,  
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**All enquiries should be directed to the Show Secretary**

**Vet on Call:** Rushcliffe Veterinary Centre,  
Collington Way,  
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Nottingham,  
NG2 7LR

*Many thanks to our hosts Colin & Debbie for their generous hospitality and to our suppliers, supporters, judges, ring managers, competitors and fellow Agility Nuts, without whose help and support this show would not be possible.*

## Schedule of Classes:

Judges will be announced with running orders

### **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> August 2008**

#### **Large Dog Classes**

- Class 1. Elementary Agility
- Class 2. Elementary Jumping
- Class 3. Elementary Helter Skelter
- Class 4. Elementary Snooker
- Class 5. Starters Agility
- Class 6. Starters Jumping
- Class 7. Starters Helter Skelter
- Class 8. Starters Snooker
- Class 9. Novice Plus Agility
- Class 10. Novice Plus Jumping
- Class 11. Novice Plus Helter Skelter
- Class 12. Novice Plus Snooker

#### **Medium/Small/Tiny Combined Classes**

- Class 13. Elementary Agility
- Class 14. Elementary Jumping
- Class 15. Elementary Helter Skelter
- Class 16. Elementary Snooker
- Class 17. Starters Agility
- Class 18. Starters Jumping
- Class 19. Starters Helter Skelter
- Class 20. Starters Snooker
- Class 21. Novice Plus Agility
- Class 22. Novice Plus Jumping
- Class 23. Novice Plus Helter Skelter
- Class 24. Novice Plus Snooker

#### **Other Classes**

- Class 25. Veteran Agility
- Class 26. Veteran Jumping
- Class 27. Veteran Helter Skelter
- Class 28. All Sorts Agility
- Class 29. All Sorts Jumping
- Class 30. Junior Handler Helter Skelter

#### **Class Descriptions:**

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| Helter Skelter        | A jumping course based on a decreasing or increasing circle.   |
| Tunnel Torment        | A jumping course in which some/all tunnels are to be avoided!  |
| Snooker               | The scoring for this Agility class is similar to the game snooker with a course consisting of 3 or 4 'red' jumps and one obstacle/sequence of each of the other snooker colours.   |
| Agility/Jumping Pairs | Two dogs compete over 2 halves of a course, one dog over an agility section and the other over a jumping section. Medium, Small and Tiny dogs may be paired with a dog of any height (except Large) in class 50, with both dogs jumping over the lowest height applicable to the pair. |
| Novice Plus           | Combined classes for Novice and Senior dogs  |
| Junior classes        | Open to all handlers aged 16 years and under on the day of competition. Juniors may run as many dogs as they wish and entries will also be taken on the day for these classes.   |

### **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> August 2008**

#### **Large Dog Classes**

- Class 31. Elementary Agility
- Class 32. Elementary Jumping
- Class 33. Elementary Tunnel Torment
- Class 34. Starters Agility
- Class 35. Starters Jumping
- Class 36. Starters Tunnel Torment
- Class 37. Novice Plus Agility
- Class 38. Novice Plus Jumping
- Class 39. Novice Plus Tunnel Torment
- Class 40. Open Agility/Jumping Pairs

#### **Medium/Small/Tiny Combined Classes**

- Class 41. Elementary Agility
- Class 42. Elementary Jumping
- Class 43. Elementary Tunnel Torment
- Class 44. Starters Agility
- Class 45. Starters Jumping
- Class 46. Starters Tunnel Torment
- Class 47. Novice Plus Agility
- Class 48. Novice Plus Jumping
- Class 49. Novice Plus Tunnel Torment
- Class 50. Open Agility/Jumping Pairs

#### **Other Classes**

- Class 51. Veteran Agility
- Class 52. Veteran Jumping
- Class 53. Veteran Tunnel Torment
- Class 54. All Sorts Agility
- Class 55. All Sorts Jumping
- Class 56. Junior Handler Jumping

*Agility Nuts reserve the right to combine or split classes depending on entries*

*Pay on the Day classes may be run, weather and time permitting*

## Show Information

**Trophies & rosettes:** Trophies will be awarded to 3<sup>rd</sup> place in all classes. Rosettes will be awarded to 20% in all classes. Clear round rosettes and judges' special rosettes are available for all classes. All Sorts classes are for clear round rosettes only.

**Day parking:** Please park vehicles as directed.

**Dogs in cars:** Your dog is vulnerable and at risk if left in a vehicle at high temperatures and even on days that you may consider to be slightly warm. Please take care of your dog. If your dog is found to be at risk, forcible entry to your vehicle may be necessary without liability for the damage caused.

**Camping:** Camping is limited to approximately 70 pitches for this show and is available on a first come, first served basis at a flat rate of £15 for the weekend (whether you camp 1, 2 or 3 nights). Only one unit and/or vehicle will be allowed per camping space. Any additional vehicles may be asked to park in the day parking area. Camping is available from midday on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> August. All campers must vacate the venue by midday on Monday 18<sup>th</sup> August. All camping units must have a fire extinguisher and/or bucket of water available. There are water taps available at the venue. Toilet facilities will be available on site.

**About the venue:** The venue is a private property and someone's home so please make sure you respect it. The exercise area(s) will be clearly marked and there is a lane where dogs can be walked just outside the venue. Areas that are out of bounds will be clearly marked and must be respected. All owners must pick up after their dogs – no exceptions! Bins for dog waste will be provided. Owners knowingly not picking up after their dogs will be asked to leave the venue and may be excluded from future Agility Nuts shows.

**Helping at the Show:** In order to ensure the smooth running of the show, we ask that all competitors participating at this show help on the rings for at least 1 hour per day during the morning or afternoon as specified on one of your ring cards. Please report to the Ring Manager of the ring specified on your ring card so that they can allocate a suitable job and time slot for you. No-one is expected to help at the expense of missing their classes. This is made a lot easier to achieve if everyone helps.

## Online Running Orders

Running orders will be made available online approximately 2 weeks before the show. Please note that the running orders **will not be sent by e-mail** and will only be available for download from the Longhedge Show Processing Services website ([www.longhedge.co.uk](http://www.longhedge.co.uk)). If you wish to use this facility please tick the box on the entry form for Online Running Orders, otherwise please add 50p postage to your entry. There is no need to enclose an SAE with your entry form.

## Catering & Entertainment

Caterers will be on-site from Friday to Monday morning and a licensed bar will operate in the evenings. Evening entertainment will be provided, including the Buckin' Bronco BBQ on Saturday Night! The BBQ will cost no more than £5 per person, payable on the day, but **please give an indication of the number of people likely to attend on the entry form where indicated**. Even if you aren't camping, why not stay late and join in the fun?!



## Eligibility and Definition of Classes

The level at which dogs compete at Agility Nuts shows depends entirely on the dog and does not depend on the handler or the owner, subject to the following conditions, where KC = Kennel Club, BAA = British Agility Association and UKA = UK Agility:

- Elementary** Open to dogs currently eligible to compete at Grade 1 (KC), Introductory (BAA) or Beginners (UKA).  
**Starters** Open to dogs currently eligible to compete at Grades 2 or 3 (KC), Primary (BAA) or Beginners (UKA).  
**Novice** Open to dogs currently eligible to compete at Grades 3, 4 or 5 (KC), Novice/Graduate (BAA) or Novice (UKA).  
**Senior** Open to dogs currently eligible to compete at Grades 6 or 7 (KC), Graduate/Masters (BAA) or Senior/Champion (UKA).  
**Veteran** Open to all dogs aged 7 years and over. Jumps will be set at 23, 35 or 45cm (9, 13¾ and 17¾" respectively) and can be chosen by the handler.  
**All Sorts** For dogs of any age (over 18 months) that for whatever reason are not able to jump at their designated jump height. Jumps will be set at 23, 35 or 45cm (9, 13¾ and 17¾" respectively) and can be chosen by the handler. These are non-competitive classes for clear round rosettes only.

Dogs competing at different levels in KC affiliated and unaffiliated shows have the option of entering at their preferred level based on the criteria above. Dogs may only be entered at **one** level. If you have not competed at any agility show before, you should enter your dog in Elementary, All Sorts, or Veteran (subject to the criteria above).

A dog may be entered as Large, Medium, Small or Tiny, depending on the following definitions:

- Large:** For dogs that measure over 43cm (17") at the withers. Jumps will be set at 61cm (24").  
**Medium:** For dogs that measure over 35cm (13¾") but less than 46cm (18") at the withers. Jumps will be set at 45cm (17¾").  
**Small:** For dogs that measure under 38cm (15") at the withers. Jumps will be set at 35cm (13¾").  
**Tiny:** For dogs that measure under 30cm (12") at the withers. Jumps will be set at 23cm (9").

Note that there is some overlap between dog heights, giving some handlers the option to select their preferred jump height for their dogs. A dog may only be entered at **one** height.

## Marking of Classes

Classes will be marked according to standard Kennel Club rules with the following exceptions:

- Up contacts will not be marked.
- None of the following will be used in any course: Tyre, Well, Wall, Table.
- A silent toy may be carried in the ring during competition in all Elementary and All Sorts classes. The dog may not touch the toy once it has started it's round and the toy must not be given to the dog until the competitor has left the ring.
- All rings will be surrounded by netting.

Refusals (run-bys) will be marked in **all** classes. In the event of a dead-heat for any of the placings in any class (All Sorts excepted), the dogs involved will run off against each other.

## Agility Nuts Rules

1. All dogs must be aged 18 months or over on the first day they compete at this show.
2. Agility Nuts reserves the right to refuse entries.
3. The mating of bitches within the precincts of the Show is forbidden.
4. No bitch in season should be brought onto the venue.
5. No dogs suffering from any infectious or contagious disease or having been exposed to such disease during the period 21 days prior to the show may be brought onto the venue.
6. No person shall carry out punitive correction or harsh handling of a dog at any time.
7. Dogs must not wear any type of slip, half-slip collar or lead whilst competing. 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.
8. No competitor shall impugn the decision of the judge or judges.
9. Dogs owned by judges may enter all classes, but the dogs must be handled by another person whilst the judge is carrying out their judging commitment.
10. Competitors are solely responsible for ensuring that they are available for their classes.
11. Competitors are required to report for allocated ring duties.
12. Agility Nuts reserves the right to combine/split classes depending on entry levels.
13. Food shall not be carried in the hand or given to the dog whilst in the competition ring.
14. In the event that the show has to be cancelled, Agility Nuts reserve the right to deduct unrecoverable

expenses incurred before returning entry fees.

15. Competitors enter at their own risk and must sign and date the declaration on the entry form. Whilst every care will be taken, Agility Nuts will not accept responsibility for loss, damage or injury to persons, dogs or property.
16. Please respect our venue and pick up after your dogs and dispose of all rubbish responsibly. Anyone knowingly not doing so will be asked to leave the venue forfeiting any remaining entries and may be excluded from future Agility Nuts shows.

## Directions to venue

The venue is located off the A60 near the junction with the A52 south of Nottingham.

If travelling from the west of Nottingham:

- Follow the A52 towards Grantham
- At the junction (roundabout) with the A60 take the 3<sup>rd</sup> exit towards Loughborough
- Take the second exit on the left immediately after you enter Ruddington\*

If travelling from the east of Nottingham:

- Follow the A52 towards Derby
- At the junction (roundabout) with the A60 take the 1<sup>st</sup> exit towards Loughborough
- Take the second exit on the left immediately after you enter Ruddington\*

If approaching Nottingham from the south on the A60

- Go straight on at the traffic lights in Ruddington
- Take the first right after the Esso petrol station\*

\*Turn right immediately. Follow the track, turning right over a bridge into the venue. Follow the signs for camping/day parking.

## Note to Sat Nav users

The postcode NG11 6LJ actually takes you close to the Esso petrol station on the A60 mentioned above. If travelling from the A52 use the instructions above to turn off before you reach the petrol station. If travelling from the south on the A60 turn off after the petrol station as indicated above.

