



**Maidstone Activity Dogs**  
**FUN Independent Winter League Series**  
**For Grades 1-3\***

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2023**

**Closing Date: 27<sup>th</sup> February 2023**

*The show is limited to 50 cars. If the entry level is reached before the closing date then the show will be closed (Updates on spaces remaining will be posted on the Facebook Group – [www.facebook.com/groups/madshows/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/madshows/))*

**Venue: Coldblow Equestrian Centre, Coldblow Lane, Thurnham, Maidstone, ME14 3LR**  
**(please read venue information & rules)**

**Shows Open: 8.45am**  
**Judging commences: 9am**

Medium & Intermediate dogs will run in the morning, Small & Large dogs will run in the afternoon. It is not anticipated that the afternoon classes will start before 12.30pm (this will be confirmed nearer the time)

**Entry fees: £19 per dog (4 runs) or £5.25 per run**  
No refunds after the show has closed (max entries reached or closing date – whichever is first)

Classes will take place in two fenced indoor rings.

**Show Manager/Secretary: Katie McManigan**

**Entries to: MAD Shows, Homewood, Farleigh Lane, Maidstone, Kent, ME16 9LX or via email to [kate@maidstoneactivitydogs.co.uk](mailto:kate@maidstoneactivitydogs.co.uk)**

**Payment via BACS to Sort code: 20-18-93 Acc No: 43984834**  
**or cheque to Maidstone Activity Dogs. For Bacs Please use your**  
**postcode for the reference number.**

**All enquiries to: 07500 266730 (strictly between 10am-8pm only) or email**

Dogs do not need to be KC registered to enter the show and do not need to be officially measured.

Jump heights will be set at 30cm, 40cm, 50cm & 60cm. Dogs should enter their measured height if known.

Dogs over 17 months of age may enter,

Vet on call: Newnham court veterinary Hospital, Bearsted Rd, Weaving,  
Maidstone ME14 5EL

## Schedule of Classes

**Morning – Medium & Intermediate Dogs**  
**Afternoon – Small & Large Dogs**

Class 1: Agility (2 runs – Best result counts)

Class 2: Jumping

Class 3: Tunnel Fun

### Class definitions:

**Agility** – A standard Agility class containing all 3 contacts with the remainder of the course being made up of any other standard equipment. Weaves may be included in this class. You will get 2 goes at the class with the best result counting.

**Jumping** – A standard jumping class which can consist of Jumps, Tunnels, Weaves, Long Jump and a Wall.

**Tunnel Fun** – A fast flowing course of jumps and Tunnels where the tunnels may or may not be traps!

**\*Classes are for Dogs eligible for Grades 1-3 Only**

\*Dogs in Grades 4-7 may run NFC if you wish

Each class and Height will have its own awards but will be combined for all Grades.

All classes can be run for competition or 'NFC' and can train in the ring. Toys and treats may be used in NFC runs but treats must be given directly to the dog and not dropped onto the floor. Please take care not to drop treats, which may distract other dogs.

You may run your dog at one height lower than they are eligible for. Anything lower than this will be for clear rounds only and must be declared on the entry form.

Courses will be the same for each height and will need to be walked at the start of the class; there will be no course walking in between heights. (Afternoon Heights will walk at the start of the afternoon) It is your responsibility to be available to run at your correct height, once the height has been changed it will not be changed back again.

### **Running Orders**

Running orders will not be issued, classes will only have small numbers so we don't feel they are needed, make your way to the rings when the class is on your height. Everyone will be emailed a copy of the ring plan nearer to the time so you can see number of entries and approximate timings. Ring plans will not be posted so you must ensure you provide a valid email address on your entry form.

### **Helping at the Shows**

In order to ensure the smooth running of each show we ask that all competitors help on the rings for about 1 hour per day during the morning or afternoon. Please report to the Ring Manager of a ring 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.

### **Awards**

All heights will have their own awards.

Rosettes will be awarded to approx. 10% of entries. Trophies will be awarded for 1<sup>st</sup> place only. Clear round rosettes will be available for all classes. All rosettes must be collected at the show.

### **Dog Height Categories and Jump Heights:**

**Small:** dogs measuring 350mm and below - Jump height 300mm.

**Medium:** dogs measuring over 350mm and below 430mm - Jump height 400mm.

**Standard:** dogs measuring over 430mm and below 500mm - Jump height 500mm.

**Large:** dogs measuring over 500mm - Jump height 600mm.

### **MAD League**

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All dogs competing at these shows will gain points depending on where they finish in each class. Leagues will be compiled and the dogs with the most points at the end of the season will receive a special trophy & rosette & goodies. The MAD league has kindly been sponsored by Perfection Dogs Ltd who will be providing prizes for each winner.

Small League Winner

Medium league Winner

Intermediate League Winner

Large League Winner

MAD Champion

The MAD Champion will have a special black and white A4 portrait sponsored by Debroah Griffiths.

**The final League results & awards will be presented at the end of this show (Medium & intermediate at lunch time and Small and Large at the end of the day)**

## Show Rules

Please read carefully. By signing the declaration you are agreeing to abide by the show rules.

1. We reserve the right to refuse entries.
2. Entries limited to 50 cars per show. If the maximum number of cars is reached before the official closing date, entries will be declared closed at that earlier date.
3. All competitors are required to help for 1 hour per show (This is a condition of entry and will be monitored) those not doing so may have future entries refused.
4. Changes may be made to the level or height your dog is entered into after sending your entry, but only up to and including the closing date of the show, after this you must run in what is entered.
5. Please keep all dogs on lead (except when competing) and ensure you clean up after your dogs.
6. All dogs entered for classes at this show must be 17 months of age or over.
7. Any person handling his or her own or any other dog in a harsh manner will be asked to leave the show.
8. A dog will be removed from the competition if it is: so out of control that it poses a danger to people or dogs at the show; or suffering from an infectious or contagious disease, or otherwise unfit to compete.
9. No bitches in season are to be brought onto the showground.
10. 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.
11. Dogs owned by judges may enter all classes, but another person must handle the dog whilst the judge is carrying out their judging commitment.
12. A judge may allow another competitor to run their dogs in the same class that they are judging.
13. Competitors are solely responsible for ensuring that they are available for their classes.
14. Entry fees will not be refunded once the show has closed.
15. Cheques will be banked upon receipt.
16. Any returned cheques will incur a £10 charge.
17. The show manager and show secretary will have the final say in respect of all matters and disputes at this event.
18. Competitors must follow the instructions of the Stewards with respect to

parking and conduct within the show boundaries.

19. In the event that the competition has to be cancelled, we reserve the right to deduct unrecoverable expenses incurred before returning entry fees.
20. Whilst every care will be taken, we will not take responsibility for loss, damage or injury to dogs, people or property whilst at this show.
21. Goods may not be sold at the venue without prior permission.
22. It is your responsibility to make sure you are available to run in your jump height before the class closes.
23. Standard marking will apply unless indicated by the judge at the briefing.

#### **Venue specific rules:**

1. There is no exercise area so unless competing dogs must be kept on a lead. You may warm your dogs up in the car park.
2. No dogs are to be taken into any field at any time or into the outdoor school.
3. Space is limited in the indoor school so please only have dogs in there that are running.
4. Dogs must be kept away from the horses at all times. Anyone found to be causing distress to a horse will be asked to leave the venue and all runs will be forfeited.
5. Dogs must not be taken into the upstairs rest room or toilets.
6. Please observe out of bounds marked areas.
7. We ask that once the morning classes have finished if you are not running in the afternoon please leave the venue, likewise if you have entered the afternoon only please don't arrive whilst the morning classes are on.
8. There are holiday cottages on site, please respect other peoples space, remember not everyone is a dog lover.

## Directions to the venue

Leave the M20 at junction 7 on the A249 and head towards Sheerness. Follow signs for Detling (leaving the A249) onto the Street. Turn right onto Pilgrims way and follow for approx. 2.5 miles. At the crossroads, turn left onto Coldblow lane. The venue is approx. 0.5 miles up the lane on the right hand side. It is signposted Coldblow Farm. Please note from leaving the A249 roads are very narrow and only wide enough for one vehicle with passing places. Please take extra care.

If travelling South on the A249 from the M2, it is advisable to follow the A249 until you reach signs for Detling village on your left. There is a shorter route through Friningham but this is extremely narrow and not advisable.

